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BURMA'S DESIRE FOR SEPARATION.

Principle Approved by the Indian Conference.

EQUITABLE TERMS.

London, Yesterday.
The India Round Table Conference meeting in committee approved the principle of the separation of Burma from India, and appointed a special committee to consider the conditions which would enable Burma to be separated from India on equitable terms, and to recommend the best way of securing this end.—Reuter.

What Burma Wants.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Round Table Conference to-day decided that a special Committee be set up "To consider the nature of the conditions which would enable Burma to be separated from India on equitable terms and to recommend the best way of securing this end."

This important decision was reached after the Burmese viewpoint had been placed before the conference by Mr. U. Ba Pe. He said that the wishes of the people of Burma were that their country be separated from India. They felt that as a part of the Indian Empire their National Status was liable to disappear. They desired the fullest measure of self-government on an equal footing with the other self-governing Dominions and, of course, under the same Crown.

On the whole the people of Burma were satisfied that India should be separated from India without any further delay, providing for minorities safeguards either in the constitution itself or in the instructions to the Governor, whichever may be found best to meet the case, and also making reasonable financial adjustments as between India and Burma and having a Trade Convention between the two countries.

He considered that Burma should have a constitution, if possible, at the same time as India, and he thought it would be best to have another conference in London to which would be invited a representative of each of the various parties and interests in Burma, some 15 to 20 in all, who would sit here as the present conference sat with representatives of the British Government. That would economise time, avoid trouble, and be more conducive to the peaceful working out of a constitution for Burma.

Consensus of Opinion.

During the discussion Dr. Chintamani, the British India delegate, expressed the view that the will of the people of Burma should be the determining factor, but he did not think there was a unanimous desire for separation from India. The position of Indians in Burma would require careful consideration.

Lord Reading said that there seemed a consensus of opinion favouring the separation of Burma from India. There were many questions such as finance and defence minorities which would not be settled by a committee of the conference, but only by a special body set up for that purpose. The Committee should consider only the main principles.

The Maharajah of Alwar expressed full sympathy with the Burmese request for separation, and Lord Peel said that when recently in Burma he found a strong and widespread desire for separation from the India Empire. He also thought that after they had had dealt with the subject as far as was possible the conference might assemble in London to work out the general lines of the future Burmese constitution.

The Prime Minister, as Chairman, expressed the desire of the conference as for a committee which should not attempt to draft a constitution for the new Burma, but which should take note of certain conditions which had to be met in the process of separation. It should further recommend how the process might be best carried out, whether by a committee of representatives of the various parties, or by any other means.

CANADA ANGRY WITH MR. THOMAS.

Use of Word "Humbug" Taken As A Slight.

MATTERS NOW WORSE.

London, Yesterday.
Mr. J. H. Thomas's use of the word "humbug" in connection with the Imperial Conference in the course of a debate in the House of Commons on November 27, has elicited a very forceful reply by Mr. R. B. Bennett, who says:—

"Mr. Thomas has condemned beyond the possibility of further discussion and in language which was deeply resented by the Government of Canada the proposal I made in a sincere desire to meet our individual and common needs. If Mr. Thomas's statement indicates what will be the attitude of the United Kingdom at the conference in Ottawa, then I have little hope that any agreement which Canada may reach with other overseas Dominions will include the United Kingdom." He concludes:—

"If Canada's proposal is thus to be contemptuously rejected, Canadians can only accept and act upon rejection by embracing other means at hand of further strengthening her economic position in the world."—Reuter.

then proposed the terms of reference given above, to which there was general assent.

Federal Structure.

The Conference in committee continued the examination of the heads of subjects as drawn up by Lord Sankey. Four of these heads, namely, the component elements of federation, the type of federal Legislature, and the number of Chambers, its constitution, its powers of federal legislature, and the construction, character, powers, and responsibilities of the federal executive, were referred to the federal structure sub-committee. The powers of provincial legislatures and the constitution, character, powers, and responsibilities of the provincial executives were referred to a second sub-committee. The third sub-committee was given the task of considering the provision to be made to secure the willing co-operation of minorities and special interests. Headings dealing with membership of the federal legislature and the method whereby representatives from British India and the India states are to be chosen were held over, since the action on these matters is in a measure dependent on the work done on questions before the federal structure sub-committee.

Questions relating to defence forces, to the Supreme Court and its jurisdiction, and the relations of the Federal and Provincial executives to the Crown were also left over until the sub-committee reported on their special subjects. The business committee meets to-morrow to appoint the personnel of the sub-committees. These will have a membership of not more than 20 each, but arrangements have been made whereby the view of any minority is assured of a hearing. The delegations will submit to the business committee the names they desire have on the sub-committees.

Situation in India.

In its weekly appreciation of the situation the Government of India recorded a continuance of improvement throughout the country. The Round Table Conference proceedings are continuing to attract great attention and the developments so far are generally regarded as hopeful. The presentation of India's aspirations by the Indian delegation is much appreciated and in many quarters there is a recognition of the sympathetic trend of British opinion. The disposition to explore the various avenues of approach to the general problem is more in evidence, but there is a natural reluctance to express even a qualified approval of any particular scheme until details are fully worked out. The British Government is fully sympathetic to the Indian aspirations, and is anxious to see them carried out.

BRITISH PROTEST TO RUSSIA.

Unfounded Reflections on the Government.

REPLY AWAITED.

London, Yesterday.
Mr. Arthur Henderson, questioned in the House of Commons about the anti-British allegations contained in the indictment of the conspiracy trial at Moscow on November 11, agreed that certain passages appeared to reflect adversely and unreasonably on the British Government. The British Ambassador in Moscow accordingly was instructed to inform the Soviet that in so far as they accepted the Public Prosecutor's comments on the accused's depositions he, (Mr. Henderson), took exception to the passages which contained adverse and unfounded reflections on the late and present Governments. (Cheers). The Government awaited the reply of the Ambassador.—Reuter.

RED TROOPS ACTIVE ON FRONTIER.

Military Activity Quells Peasant Risings.

VILLAGES SHELLED.

Berlin, Yesterday.
Strong military activity on the part of Soviet troops is reported from the Latvian frontier. The whole district of Bilgovo is reported to be swarming with Red troops. Rifle firing was uninterrupted and many soldiers have been wounded. Risings of peasants in West Russia are reported from Riga. Soviet artillery shelled and set fire to several villages near the frontier.—Reuter.

INSPECTOR SHOT. KILLED WHILST WAITING AT STATION.

ASSASSINS ESCAPE.

Chandpur, Yesterday.
Inspector Mukherjee was at the station awaiting the arrival of Capt. Craig, the Inspector-General of Police, Bengal, when two youths, alighted from the train and fired a revolver, fatally wounding him. Capt. Craig immediately fired, but missed the assassins, who escaped.—Reuter.

ROYAL DUTCH CO. RUMOURS REGARDING NO DIVIDEND FALSE.

NO NEED FOR ANXIETY.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
A meeting of the Royal Dutch Petroleum Company to-day unanimously proposed modifications of the statutes. Sir Henri Detering, the Managing Director, categorically contradicted rumours or reduction of dividend, and said that the Company's position was most favourable. There was no ground whatever for anxiety on the part of bona fide shareholders.—Reuter.

CHINA INDEMNITY. BRITAIN HOPES TO OBTAIN HER SHARE.

TOO BUSY NOW!

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons to-day, replying to Mr. George Oliver, Mr. Philip Snowden said that the Government hopes to be able to introduce a Bill in respect of the British share of the China Indemnity of 1901 as soon as State and public business permits.—Reuter.

MEN STAND FIRM.

NO SETTLEMENT OF COAL STRIKE.

"RED" INFLUENCE

OUTBURST BY MISS JENNY LEE, M.P.

London, Yesterday.
The Scottish Miners' executive has called a delegate conference at Glasgow for to-morrow to consider the executive's report of their meeting with the coal owners to-day, and to decide the next step. Meanwhile, the executive recommends the men to stand firm.

"Red" Influence.
The coal conciliation board at Glasgow adjourned this afternoon without reaching a settlement, and the Communists prevailed. Fifty per cent. of the colliers at Lewis Merthyr pits, Trehafod, did not work to-day. This is a sequel to the Communists storming the platform at a meeting last night, after the meeting had decided to accept the recommendation of the Miners' Federation Conference. Communists are picketing the pits to-day.

Poor or Opera?
The Secretary for Mines, Mr. E. Shinwell, questioned in the

ENTERTAINMENT TAX.

The Government's Bill to impose duties in respect of admission to entertainments will be introduced in the Legislative Council on Thursday afternoon.
As the Bill is bound to be passed through all its stages, owing to the official majority, the new duties will become operative on New Year's Day.

House of Commons, said that practically all the pits in England and Wales were working to-day, whilst 18 per cent. of the miners in Scotland were working.

Miss Jenny Lee (Labour left wing) asked what the Government were doing to relieve the hunger in the Scottish coalfields.
Mr. Shinwell replied that it was not unlikely that the conciliation board in Scotland would reach a settlement to-day. Miss Lee demanded a more definite indication of the relief measures, "in view of the fact that we are subsidising opera."

The Speaker then intervened. Miss Lee's reference to opera followed the previous questioning of the Government, to which Mr. Lees-Smith replied that grants totalling £30,000 yearly would be paid to the new Covent Garden Opera Syndicate, of which £25,000 would be provided by the British Broadcasting Corporation, and £5,000 by private subscription. There would be 200 performances yearly.—Reuter.

London, Yesterday.
Work ceased in the majority of the Scottish coal pits last night. Pickets are out in full force to-day, but according to Mr. James Doonan, the President of the National Union of Scottish Mine Workers, there is every prospect that a temporary settlement will follow to-day's meeting of the Coal Conciliation Board and the Scottish owners' and miners' representatives in Glasgow.

The first effects of the stoppage in Glasgow was an increase of three halfpence a hundredweight in domestic coal prices.—Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In all the English and Welsh coalfields work proceeded as usual to-day. In Scotland, there was a stoppage in most, though not all, of the districts.
It is generally anticipated that when the National Federation meets again on Thursday it will reverse Friday's decision and sanction a "spread-over" in the districts where the miners desire it. Mr. A. J. Cook said yesterday, "It is for each district to consider the position in relation to its own needs, namely, to protect wages and standards."—British Wireless Service.

MORE BABIES BORN AT HOME.

Lowest Mortality Ever Recorded.

TOLL OF DEATH IN FRANCE

London, Yesterday.
The fact that more babies, fewer deaths, and the lowest infant mortality ever recorded are responsible for a 7,000 increase in the population in England and Wales, is a feature of the Registrar General's report for the three months ended on September 30. Deaths were 349 less and live births 1,991 more than during the same period of last year, while infant mortality at 45 per 1,000 was 14 per 1,000 below the average for a decade.

Paris, Yesterday.
"France threatened with Death," is a newspaper heading of an article giving the vital statistics for France, showing that for the first time since 1911 deaths exceeded births by 12,564, a fall in the natural population occurring practically in all provinces except Normandy, Brittany, and a few Northern departments, and Alsace Lorraine.—Reuter.

DECLINE OF EXPORTS TO INDIA.

Effect of the Boycott on British Goods.

CONTINUING IN BOMBAY.

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons, replying to Commander Kenworthy, Mr. Wedgwood Benn said that the boycott of British goods was weakening throughout India generally, but was still effective in Bombay. He was circulating figures showing the falling off of British exports to India, which showed during the September quarter a decline of 43.6 per cent. compared with 1929. The decline of exports to all places abroad was 25.8 per cent.—Reuter.

NEW GOVERNOR.

SIR GRAEME THOMSON FOR CEYLON.

HIS SECOND VISIT.

London, Yesterday.
Sir Graeme Thomson, G.C.M.B., Governor and Commander of Nigeria since 1925, has been appointed Governor of Ceylon in succession to Sir Herbert Stanley, who succeeds the Earl of Athlone as High Commissioner of South Africa in April, 1931.—Reuter.

Sir Graeme Thomson is 55, and was educated at Winchester School and New College, Oxford. He entered the Admiralty in 1900, and was called to the Bar in 1902. In 1914 he was made Director of Transport, and from 1917-19 Director of Shipping. Following the Armistice he went to Ceylon as Colonial Secretary (1919-22) and administered the Government of Ceylon from March to September in 1922. He made another move in 1922, when he was appointed Governor of British Guiana, an appointment which he relinquished in 1925 to take up his present office in Nigeria.]

PLEA FOR PARDON REFUSAL RECOMMENDED BY U.S. COURT.

IN JAIL 14 YEARS.

San Francisco, Yesterday.
What is regarded in Labour circles in the United States as another Sacco-Vanzetti affair, is the case of Warren K. Billings, who was imprisoned in 1916 for sedition along with a man called Mooney. The case came up at the Supreme Court of California, which rejected Billings' appeal for a pardon. The Court, which investigated the circumstances of the conviction, recommended to the Governor by six votes to one that the appeal be refused.—Reuters' American Service.

RIOTOUS SCENES IN WASHINGTON.

"Reds" Foregather at Congress Session.

RECORDED BY "TALKIES."

Washington, Yesterday.
On the occasion of the opening of the final session of Congress in order to pass the 1931 Appropriation Bills for the support of the Government, and to provide relief for the economic ills of the United States, a crowd of 600 Communists carrying placards bearing the slogan "release all political prisoners," collected outside the Capitol. The Police tried to seize the placards, and the Communists resisted the Police, who charged the demonstrators with batons. Tear gas bombs were thrown, and fierce hand to hand fighting followed, in which a number of women Communists were roughly handled. Finally the Police were reinforced and dispersed the rowdies, making six arrests.

"Talkies" on the Spot.
For the first time in the opening of Congress "talkies" were taken of the proceedings and huge flood lights played on the scene. It was announced that Senator Davis, ex-Secretary of Labour, will not take his seat for Pennsylvania until his election expenditure of \$100,000 has been investigated by the Senatorial Committee.

The Democratic leader, Senator Robinson, introduced a Bill to grant loans of \$60,000,000 to enable farmers in drought stricken areas to buy seed and fodder.—Reuter's American Service.

Earlier Cable.
New York, Yesterday.
A "Prosperity Loan" of \$1,000,000,000 to ameliorate the existing economic troubles, is planned by the Emergency Committee, including numerous bankers and business men, who will ask Congress, which reconvenes to-day, to authorise the loan for new public buildings, roads and deepening channels in rivers, the work to be carried out under the auspices of the Federal Government.—Reuter's American Service.

BRIGHTER LATER.

The Royal Observatory's weather report states:—
The anti-cyclone central to the north of the Lower Yangtze Valley is spreading eastward.

There is a monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.
Forecast:—N. E. winds, strong; overcast at first; improving later.

Rainfall.
Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 95.19 inches against an average of 81.99.
Temperature.
The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 50
Macao 52
Pratas Island 72
Manila 74
Fochow 52
Amoy 56
Swatow 54
Chefoo 34
Shanghai 31

PEAK ROBBERIES.

Mr. A. E. Arnold, residing at 18, Bowen Road, The Peak, has reported to the Police the loss of a gold watch, valued at £2. He states that some person stole it from his dressing table, between November 15 and 20.
Mr. A. Van Gelder, of 264, The Peak, in a report lodged at Police Headquarters, stated that between 6 o'clock and 11 o'clock last night some person entered his residence and stole from his bedroom a clock and \$33 in money, the total value being \$138.

CONCUBINE LOSES \$949.

Gaining entrance to the third floor of 81, Reclamation Street by breaking a padlock on the door, thieves got away with a haul of \$949, which was comprised of jewellery and money contained in a cash-box, the property of Leung Luk-kan, a concubine, who has reported the matter to the Police.

AMUSEMENTS CO.'S FINANCES.

Re-organisation of Capital.

TO ACQUIRE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Wood) a petition was made by the Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., for the sanction of the Court to a reduction of capital, and also to a scheme of arrangement for re-organisation of the Company's capital.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacons), in making the application, explained that in fact there would be no actual reduction in capital. The result of the scheme of arrangement would be eventually to raise the capital of the Company from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000.

His Lordship stated that he had to deal with an application as regards reduction only. He enquired if there were any creditors in Court.

Mr. Jenkin replied that the creditors were all consenting parties to the application. There were three or four small creditors, to the amount of \$697.85, and the Company were willing to retain capital to pay them, if the order should be made.

No Actual Reduction.
"In truth no reduction of capital is involved," counsel stated. "The reduction now sought is merely part and parcel of a large scheme whereby the capital of the company, upon Your Lordship's order, will later be increased to \$1,000,000, the object being to acquire the premises known as the Queen's Theatre. I make this explanation in order that there shall be no misapprehension in the matter."

Replying to His Lordship, counsel said that not a cent would go back to the holders of the 8,000 Deferred Ordinary shares. The petition had been brought about in the main owing to certain re-organisation in connection with these shares. The company had found it cumbersome to have three classes of shares, as at present. They now wished to cancel the 8,000 Deferred Ordinary shares, and to convert the Preferred Ordinary shares, and Ordinary shares with preferential rights, of which there were 8,000 each, into one class, that was, Ordinary shares. When the proposed increase to \$1,000,000 took place, as it would in a few hours, should the petition be granted, the full share capital would be in Ordinary shares, ranking pari passu.

Petition Granted.
Counsel further petitioned for the dispensation of advertisement of the words, "and reduced," explaining that there was actually no diminution of liability in the case of the shares at issue. He quoted authorities to show the present practice at Home in similar cases.

His Lordship decided to grant an order in the terms of the petition, to be drafted and approved. The minute was also approved. There would also be a dispensation from use of the words "and reduced." Two conditions, to which petitioners had agreed, would be imposed, (a) the retention by the Company of the share capital concerned with the reduction, and (b) the further deferral by the Company of the sum of \$697.85, to pay creditors as indicated in the petition.

CRIMINAL APPEALS.

In the Legislative Council on Thursday the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga is to ask questions relative to the establishment of a Court of Criminal Appeal, desiring the Government to state its reasons for not following the precedent in Britain, and asking if it will consider the advisability of creating such a Court here.

EUROPEAN CHARGED.

Mr. B. Stendahl, a shipping agent, residing at No. 2, Hankow Road, was this morning charged before Mr. H. R. Eatters with being drunk and incapable.
P.C. B-572 stated that he found defendant in a helpless state in Salisbury Road in the early hours of the morning.
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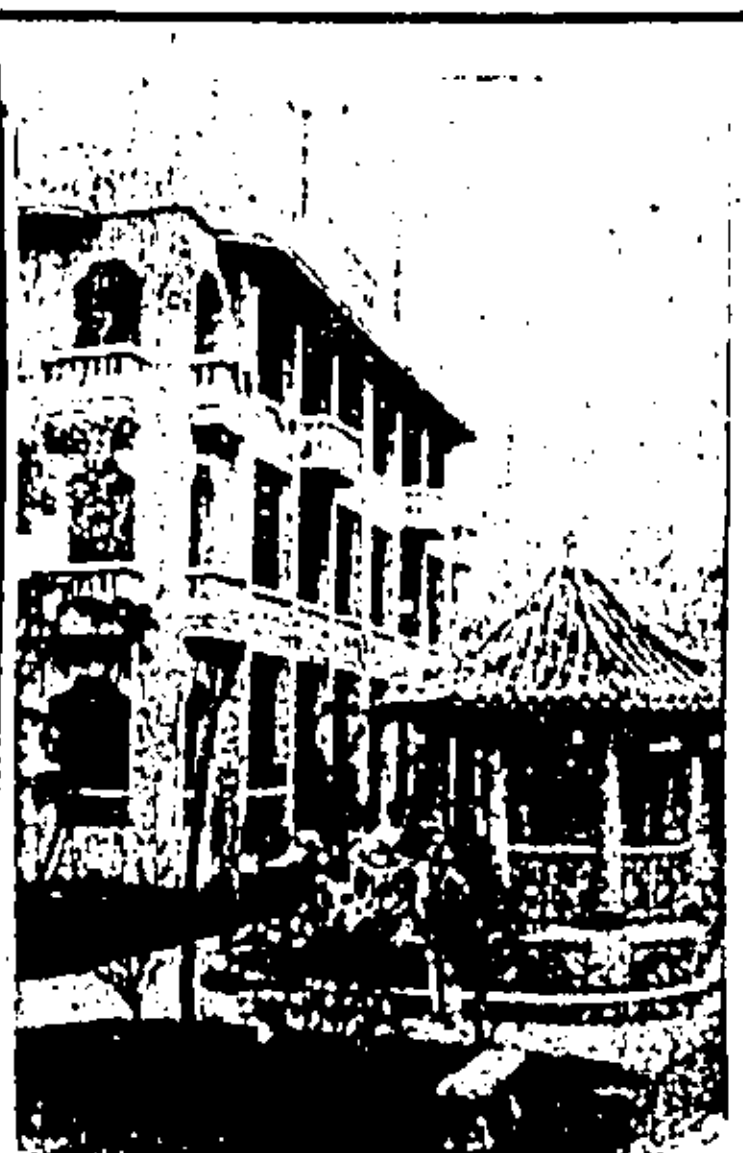
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COMPANY MEETINGS**UNION WATER BOAT COMPANY,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Queen's Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon on MONDAY, the 8th day of December, 1930, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

1. That the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows:—

(a) By the insertion immediately after Article 43 of the following new Article, namely, 43 (A) The Company may by ordinary resolution cancel any shares which at the date of the passing of such resolution have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

(b) By the insertion immediately after Article 102 of the following new Articles, namely, 102a. The Company may at any time and from time to time in general meeting by resolution authorise the General Managers to capitalise any profits of the Company not required for the time being for payment of dividend upon any preference shares of the Company or other shares issued upon any special conditions, whether standing to the credit of the Company's reserve fund or otherwise, and including profits arising from the appreciation in value of capital assets, and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal amount, and the General Managers shall give effect to any such resolution accordingly, and any shares allotted pursuant to any such resolution shall be distributed among the members holding shares of the Company so far as practicable in proportion to the number of shares held by them respectively, and shall be credited as fully paid by means of the profits so capitalised and the General Managers may make such provision by the issue of fractional certificates or by the payment of cash or by sale and distribution of the proceeds or otherwise as they may think expedient for the case of fractions. The General Managers may appoint any person on behalf of the members to enter into any agreement with the Company providing for the allotment to them of such shares credited as fully paid up, and in satisfaction as aforesaid and any agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

102b. The General Managers may, with the sanction of the Company in General Meeting, declare a dividend to be paid to the members according to their rights and interests in the profits, and may fix the time for payment and may with the like sanction declare and pay a dividend or bonus out of any reserve fund and fix the time for payment thereof and may with the like sanction declare and pay bonuses to the Company's employees or any of them.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on TUESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1930, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

AND NOTICE is hereby further given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on TUESDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1930, at 11.05 o'clock in the Forenoon or as soon thereafter as the above meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

1. That the Company do hereby cancel all shares (namely, 22277 shares numbered 27724 to 50000) which at the date hereof have not been taken or agreed to be taken by any person, and do hereby diminish the amount of its share capital by the amount of the shares so cancelled.

2. That the Capital of the Company be increased from its diminished capital of \$194,081.00 Hong Kong Currency divided into 27,723 shares of \$7.00 each to \$500,010 Hong

SPORT NOTICES**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**

THE TWELFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 6th December, 1930, commencing at 1.30 p.m.
The first bell will be rung at 1 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$2 for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1 for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN.

Secretary

Hong Kong, 1st December 1930.

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It is understood that shortly after 12 noon the fire started in the northern corner of the yard, and the fire brigade of the area turned out, but upon finding that the fire was a good 300 yards from the river, and no fire hydrants around, just stood by without much attempt to fight the flames as they were not able to obtain water. The Manager of the concern was informed of the affair around one o'clock, and by the time he came to the scene of the conflagration, it had grown to grave proportions and was spreading from one stack of timber planks to another, being fanned by a northerly wind. He immediately sent men to call out the brigades of the Concessions, all of whom gathered around two o'clock and rendered valuable service. A total of five brigades were on the scene and remained there for many hours, as the fire grew larger and larger as time went by.

Planks and logs were the chief materials involved, covering a tremendous area of land and stocked in high stacks. Thick smoke rose from the burning wood and carried with it sparks which threatened to land on stocks of lumber kept by other concerns in the vicinity of the fire. The heat of the fire was too fierce to permit the fighters to close in on the flames, with the result that the thick of the fire had to be fought at a distance. The cracking of the burning planks and the deep red flames reminded one of forest fires and at five o'clock the scene seemed like the setting of the sun on the wrong side, viewed from the opposite side of the river.

A brick house in the north-eastern corner of the yard was completely destroyed and a working shed close to the saw mills was also burned down. The latter contained a stock of boxes and smoothed blocks which were part of the work carried on by the firm. These were removed by the public present who lent an eager hand at the job, as well as by Rovers and coolies. The saw mill was badly threatened at one time and the roof started to burn slightly, whereupon all available hoses were turned on it and the danger was averted after a gruelling battle with the flames. Parts of the machinery were removed and a considerable amount of ready articles were also put out of the way, but the great majority of these turned to ashes after burning for about 24 hours.

The area of the fire was so great that even the five brigades experienced great difficulties before they were able to do anything worth while. A great

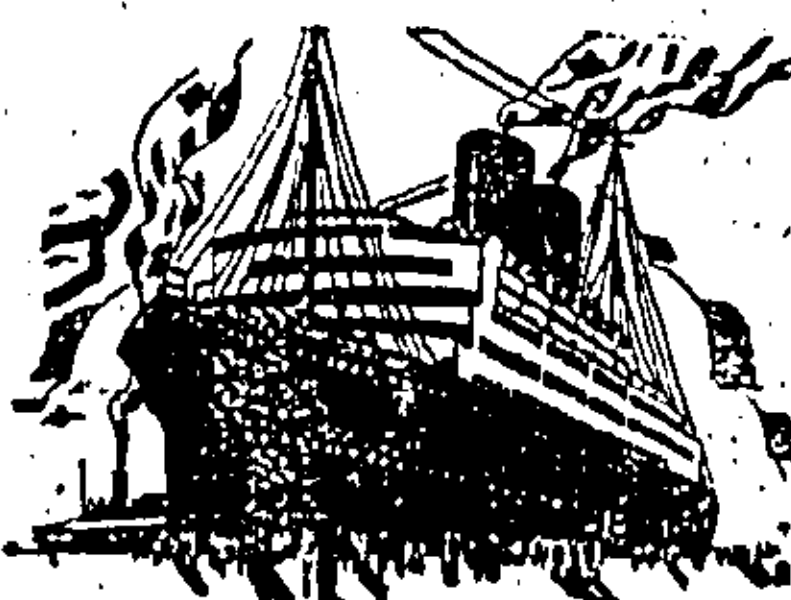
handicap to the fire fighters was the fact that there are no fire hydrants around the vicinity and the only water available was that of the river, which meant that about 300 yards of hose had to be laid before water was anywhere near enough to be of any use. By seven o'clock the danger to the saw mill was averted and from then onwards the fire was somewhat under control.

The saw mill is run by electric power, and is a very modern and costly installation. It is hoped that it will be restored to working order in a few days.

It is roughly estimated that the lumber stocked in the yard was valued at Tls. 300,000, which is covered by insurance.—P. & T. Times.

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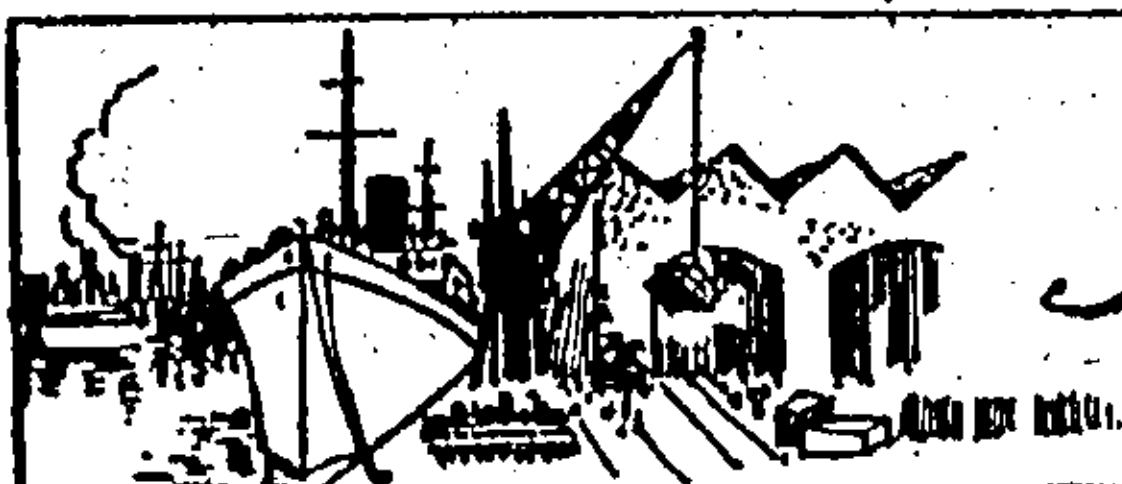
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SINGAPORE SHIPPING DEVELOPMENT.

British & Dutch Vessels Predominate.

In spite of the economic depression which prevailed in British Malaya during the past two years, the tonnage of shipping at the port of Singapore continued to grow, and reached a new high record in 1929, states the U.S. Vice-Consul at Singapore, in Commerce Reports, says the Journal of Commerce in mail week.

The geographic position of the port, he says, gives it a great natural advantage over the ports of neighbouring countries. During the past 20 years it has lost a considerable amount of its transshipment trade in native produce (spices, etc.), but this loss has been completely overshadowed by its increased transshipment trade in rubber, tin, and manufactured goods, in addition to its increased direct export trade in rubber and tin. All indications point to the continued growth of shipping at the port of Singapore.

The entrances and clearances of shipping of all classes at Singapore in 1929 totalled 64,266 vessels of 33,353,803 tons, an increase of 2,329 vessels and 1,860,749 tons over the figures of 1928. The entrances of merchant vessels (all steamers above 50 net registered tons) at Singapore in 1929 totalled 19,836 vessels of 31,162,079 tons, an increase of 126 vessels and 1,772,266 tons over the figures for 1928. The nations ranking from first to seventh were: Great Britain, with 12,552,012 tons; Netherlands, 7,054,726 tons; Japan, 4,118,176 tons; France, 1,874,925 tons; Germany, 1,699,029 tons; Norway, 1,258,120 tons; and the United States, 678,520 tons. All these nations increased the tonnage of their merchant vessels at Singapore in 1929 as compared with 1928.

The share of the Netherlands in the total increase amounted to 35 per cent. Japan's shipping at this port was considerably enlarged, probably as a result of the lifting of the anti-Japanese boycott by the Chinese portion of Singapore's population. The increase in American tonnage is gratifying as compared with that of the previous year, amounting to 5 per cent. of the total increase. France, while maintaining fourth place in the list of nations with greatest tonnage entered and cleared in 1929, suffered a large decrease as compared with 1928.

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REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME PROSPECTS.

In one other respect besides tramp shipping our shipyards should find a little more work available next year than this, says the Journal of Commerce.

The 1930 programme of the Admiralty, as revealed in the Supplementary Naval Estimates, visualises a certain very necessary expansion in replacement orders. This programme provides for three cruisers, a flotilla of destroyers, three submarines, four sloops, and one net-layer.

How much of this work will be allotted to private firms, and how much to the dockyards, is, of course, still in doubt, but the work to be done under these estimates is great than that under the 1929 estimates, and after the lesson of Dalmuir, the Government will be blind indeed if it does not make the allowance to private firms as full as the circumstances permit.

GOLF AT SEA.

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P. AND O. LOSSES.

"OUTLOOK ANYTHING BUT SATISFACTORY."

SIX NEW LINERS.

London, Yesterday. The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company's report for the year ended September 30, including \$120,000 brought forward from last year, shows a credit balance of \$366,000, compared with \$343,000 for last year. \$115 is carried forward.

Six steamers, aggregating 34,000 tons, are being constructed, namely, the 21,000-ton liners Strathnaver and Strathaird, for the Australian service; the 14,500-ton liners Canton and Chetoo for the London, Bombay, and China line; and the 5,500-ton cargo boats Soudan and Somali for the London to China line. All these vessels are oil fuel burners.

The report adds that the outlook is anything but satisfactory. Sir Robert Horne and Lord Cromer have been nominated as Directors.—Reuter.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Sunday, November 30.
Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. J. Davidson, from Macao, buoy No. B23.—Jensen & Co.

King Yuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Amoy, buoy No. B15.—B. & S. Muncester Castle, British str., 3,625 tons, Capt. F. M. Lee, from Manila, Lai Chi Kok.—Dodwell & Co.

Shun Lee, Chinese str., 949 tons, Capt. B. Miyazaki, from Dairen, buoy No. B17.—Yee Tai Hong. Tjisalak, Dutch str., 3,613 tons, Capt. P. Meerman, from Amoy, buoy No. A8.—J.C.J.L.

An Lee, Chinese str., 992 tons, Capt. S. Kita, from Dairen, buoy No. C22.—Yee Tai Hong. Anhui, British str., 2,080 tons, Capt. R. Turnbull, from Singapore, buoy No. A9.—B. & S. Benlawers, British str., 6,000 tons, Capt. A. Webster, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Gibb Livingstone & Co.

Cheong Shing, British str., 1,256 tons, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, from Canton, buoy No. B38.—J. M. & Co.

Caucasier, Belgian str., 3,613 tons, Capt. M. Lambé, from Antwerp, buoy No. A24.—Bank Line. Hirundo, Norwegian str., 1,125 tons, Captain J. A. Pedersen, from Swatow, buoy No. A28.—Thoresen & Co.

Kamo Maru, Japanese str., 7,956 tons, Capt. S. Shiratori, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Mao Lee, Chinese str., 1,209 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Canton, Yaumati.—Yee Tai Hong. Murotan Maru, Japanese str., 3,251 tons, Capt. M. Sumi, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. A. Cook, from Canton, buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Tacoma Maru, Japanese str., 5,856 tons, Capt. H. Kanagar, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Taiyoku Maru, Japanese str., 1,305 tons, Capt. H. Fujii, from Samarinda, buoy No. C49.—Wada Jimusho.

Taiyetsu Maru, Japanese str., 2,889 tons, Capt. S. Matsuo, from Calcutta, buoy No. A26.—Y.K.K.

Tijkandi, Dutch str., 4,053 tons, Capt. J. A. v/d Kolk, from Semarang, buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Vancouver on November 29 (Sat.) at 4 p.m., leaves Vancouver on December 6 (Sat.), and is due at Hong Kong on December 29 (Mon.). She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on December 30 (Tues.) at 5 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Kobe on December 1 (Mon.) at 11 a.m., left Kobe on December 2 (Tues.) at 1 a.m., and is due at Yokohama on December 3 (Wed.) at 4 a.m. She leaves Yokohama on December 4 (Thurs.) at 3 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Ranchi left Singapore for this port on November 30 at 6 a.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here on December 5 at about 7 a.m.

BRITISH SHIPPING SUPREMACY.

Mr. Kelleway & U.S.A.'s Challenge.

Speaking in mail week at the opening of the extensions to the Marconi works at Chelmsford, Mr. F. G. Kelleway, managing director of the company, said the British Empire had done the pioneer work in the methods of communication, whether by telegraph, telephone, aircraft or shipping, and had built up systems of incomparable strength and mobility.

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TILAWA	10,006	15th Dec.	Amoy, Shanghai, Kobe & Osaka.
*PERM	7,648	16th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	8,985	20th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	24th Dec. 1931.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
COMORIN	15,132	3rd Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	17th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	17th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,135	24th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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DEMURRAGE CASE.

TROUBLE OVER CARGO WORKING.

"ANTIQUATED WINCHES."

When the hearing was resumed yesterday afternoon of the case in which a Chinese firm are suing the Texas Company on a lighterage and demurrage claim, Mr. D. S. Scott, assistant general manager of defendant company, gave evidence.

He said that there had been constant friction with plaintiffs over their method of loading and transportation. He gave details of several inspections which had been made, which had shown the plaintiffs to be doing the work in an unsatisfactory manner.

Witnesses also stated that large lighters at the company's pier had impeded the work of unloading. He further alleged that one large lighter was not satisfactory, and the winch antiquated. The drums were damaged by being rolled up to the winch.

In cross-examination witness said it was not correct to state that his predecessor had approved of the method of working cargo.

The hearing was adjourned till Thursday.

REUTER'S ERROR.

SHIP ABLAZE OFF PANAMA— NOT PERU.

San Francisco, Yesterday.

There has been a happy ending to the fire on board the Ludwigshafen, which was ablaze off Panama and not Peru, as cabled yesterday. It is reported by the Radio Corporation that the crew subsequently returned to the ship and got the fire under control, and the ship is now able to proceed to Cape Mala under her own power.—Reuter's American Service.

[The Ludwigshafen is a vessel of 5,918 tons, built by Krupp at Kiel in 1923 and fitted for oil fuel. She is 393.5 feet long, 54.3 in breadth, and is 23.3 feet deep.]

FRENCH DISASTER.

46 FISHERMEN DROWNED DURING TERRIBLE GALE.

M. Rollin, Minister of the Merchant Marine, returned from a tour of inspection in Brittany with the latest figures regarding the casualties in the terrible gale which has devastated the fishing fleet.

Forty-six men have lost their lives in the disaster, and they have left 39 widows and 80 children to lament their fate. Sixty-seven vessels have not yet returned, but many of these may have escaped and may be unaware of the anxiety on their account.

The Minister paid a tribute to the heroism of two boys of 14 and 17, who both saw their fathers killed before their eyes but continued their efforts to save their ships.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships are in harbour to-day:—

Berwick—West wall dock.

Bruce—No. 6 buoy.

Cornflower—No. 13 buoy.

Kent—North arm.

Marazion—In dock.

Medway—No. 2 buoy.

Odin—In dock.

Orus—In dock.

Sandwich—No. 7 buoy.

Seraph—No. 11 buoy.

Serpis—No. 12 buoy.

Somme—No. 10 buoy.

Tamar—Basin.

Thracian—No. 8 buoy.

Foreign Man-of-War.

Helena—American gunboat.

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Mr. H. H. Robbins, Mrs. A. Shoffer.

WORK FOR 20,000 MEN

SHIPBUILDING ACTIVITIES IN AMERICA.

Washington, Oct. 29.

Officials of the shipping board

said to-day that approximately

20,000 men would be employed and

\$50,000,000 spent during the coming

year in the construction of mer-

chant vessels.

Under the provisions of the

Jones-White act the board will lend

shipping lines approximately \$15-

000,000 toward construction. Be-

tween 20 and 30 merchant ships are

to be constructed.

The board expressed confidence

that in the future there would be

continuous employment and that

the shipping interests and the ship-

yards would enjoy business ac-

tivity.

Mr. Isadore Sternfeld, who

died on August 21 in Paris,

as a result of an acci-

dent, had been associated with

the Westinghouse Electric in-

terests for 36 years, has activities

having been always in the foreign

field. At one time he resided in

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ANTI-PIRACY RULES.

It is only natural that exception should be taken by mercantile marine officers to the new anti-piracy regulation, published in the Government Gazette of Friday's date and published in the China Mail on Saturday. This regulation lays down that "the master or other person in charge of a ship shall take effective measures to cause, and he shall cause the movements of his ship to be in accordance with these regulations, and he shall take effective measures to prevent, and he shall prevent the coming on board or embarkation of any person and the bringing on board of anything contrary to or not in accordance with these regulations." It cannot be doubted that this regulation is the outcome of the piratical attack on the s.s. Helikon in July when "history was made," most unfortunately, by the desperadoes boarding the vessel in Hong Kong as passengers—the first time in the annals of piracy in the China Sea. A veil of secrecy has ever since enshrouded that untoward incident. Not a word of explanation has since been forthcoming to the public; not a syllable in mitigation or extenuation of the circumstances that permitted such an occurrence; not a hint of any official inquiry or the result thereof. The Police authorities, who have hitherto been responsible for searches of ships prior to departure, have done nothing but, apparently, hide their faces out of sheer shame and discomfort, that they should have, even once, been taken off their guard.

They have "got away with it." Beyond attention being called to the unique occurrence in the Press, nobody seems to have worried whether or not the Colony's good name was besmirched. Not a question was asked in relation thereto by any Unofficial member of the Legislative Council, as if by common consent, the matter was allowed to drift into oblivion—doubtless much to the relief of the Police authorities.

Now—nearly five months after the Helikon piracy—some one appears to have been aroused and realised the possibility of pirates again boarding vessels in Hong Kong Harbour in the guise of passengers. But the Police authorities are now determined not to risk their reputation a second time. They are seeking to wash their hands entirely of any responsibility for failure to search ships before they leave this harbour. They exclaim, in effect, "What are the masters and officers in ships for if not to ensure that no potential pirate comes aboard in the guise of a passenger or fireman or steward?" Which, of course, is a totally erroneous angle from which to view the whole problem of search of ships. On the eve of departure from harbour masters and officers of ships have their hands more than full attending to the inherent duties of their profession; why should they be called upon to fulfil the role of policemen—preventers of crime—whilst they are under the jurisdiction of the local shipping and Police authorities?

In the interminable discussions on the suppression of piracy it has ever been general agreement that the system of searches at ports should be made much more rigid. This should and ought to be possible in Hong Kong and Singapore; but its attainment will be entirely out of the question if the onus of search is to be transferred from the Police to the mercantile marine. The Police are here to do Police work; they are paid for doing Police work; and it is utterly fantastical for them to endeavour to quit themselves of all responsibility by saddling the mercantile marine with their work. If it is seriously intended that "the master or other person in charge of a ship shall prevent the coming on board or embarkation of any person and the bringing on board of anything contrary to the regulation," we shall have the spectacle of ships lying up in harbour for weeks if not months to give the master or person in charge ample scope to fulfil the onus thrown on to him!

News in Brief.

Clothing and jewellery valued at \$60 were reported stolen this morning from No. 32, Laichikok Road, Kowloon, first floor.

Brass bushes valued at \$40 were reported stolen this morning from a matshed used as a tool-shed by the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

Yesterday's sale of roses on the occasion of "Our Poor Day," organised by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, realised \$4,400.37. The record of \$4,500 was established in 1928.

A Chinese was removed to hospital this morning suffering from facial injuries, after having been knocked down by a vehicle belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. His condition is not serious.

Chan Ki, an unemployed Chinese, was sentenced to three months hard labour at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for stealing a jersey and a pair of trousers, the property of Wong Yuet Po of 575, Shanghai Street.

Apparently unable to cross the railway in time, a Chinese woman, named Choi Wee-chuk (64), was yesterday knocked down and killed by a train at the 18 milestone, near Fanling. The train was coming from Samchun to Kowloon.

Fung Kau, a Chinese from Shum Chun appeared at Kowloon Magistracy this morning charged with stealing a clock and two hammers, the property of two workmen employed by the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. Sentence of three months hard labour was passed.

The theft of a Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank \$50 note was reported to the Police this morning. The victim was Mr. M. Wakeshott who resides at the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon. He states that it was removed from the inside pocket of his jacket between 7.30 and 8 a.m. to-day.

The attention of the public is drawn to the opening of a new store, to be known as the Capital Silk Store, which will be situated at 10, D'Aguiar Street. The store, which will carry a complete line of silks, is to be opened on December 5. Inspection by the public is cordially invited.

A delightful programme was rendered by the pupils of Mr. Harry Ore, and the Hong Kong Trio (Messrs H. Ore, F. Gonzales, and L. Szente) in the Cathedral Hall last night. All the numbers were well received by a large and appreciative audience, and the artists are to be congratulated on their excellent efforts.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., will lecture on "The Roots of Convention in Poetry" in the Cathedral Hall to-day, at 5.30 p.m. This lecture is held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Branch of the English Association. Printed booklets of last year's lectures are now ready and copies will be distributed free of charge to members.

Messrs Calbeck, Macgregor & Co., Limited, as agents for Bollingers champagne send the China Mail a neat pocket diary for 1931. In addition to the usual calendar, personal and general memoranda pages and telegraphic and private address pages, it gives a great deal of information regarding sports records that ought to be found most useful. The diary is gilt edged and prettily bound, with a pencil attached.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THAT EXCHANGE GAME!

(To the Editor of "China Mail.")
Sir,—The latest stunt in the exchange game as played by the Chinese money changers is one which is difficult of understanding. On Sunday I visited a money changer's in town and tendering a \$5 bill asked for \$2 small change. The man behind the counter asked me if I wanted the other \$3 in \$1 notes or in silver dollars. I asked for \$1 notes and was charged three cents as commission.

Yesterday I visited the same money changer's and again "split" a \$5 bill. This time, to test the man behind the counter, I asked for \$2 small change and \$3 in silver dollars. I got my change and was not charged any commission. Can any big financial mind among your readers figure this out? It's more interesting than a crossword puzzle!

Yours, etc.,
WHAT TING.

Hong Kong, December 2.

"Why don't you buy a bicycle, Pat?" said his neighbour. "You would find it useful in going back and forth to your work!"
"Faith," said Pat, "I'd as soon walk about as ride about."

FLAT BURGLER.

GOODS TO BE RETURNED FROM PAWNBROKER.

NO COMPENSATION.

Having done three months' for larceny in 1927, nine months' for larceny in 1928, six months' for unlawful receiving in 1929, and three months' for felonious intent last year, Liu Shu-man, unemployed, was to-day charged before Mr. E. H. Williams at the Central Second Court with the larceny of 28 pieces of silk clothing, two vases, one hand-bag, to the total value of \$280.80, the property of Tang Sang and his wife, who reside at 44, High Street.

Defendant, who pleaded guilty, stated "I and another man went to commit the felony."

His Worship said that that was no excuse whatever.

Flat Door Open.

Asked for the facts, Detective-Sergeant Flattery said that on the morning of November 30, two detectives were on duty in Hollywood Road, when they noticed the defendant carrying a pair of silver vases, and some clothing under his arm. They accosted him, and after questioning, defendant took them to several pawnshops, where some of the clothing was retrieved. Complainant and his wife, Sergeant Flattery said, only went into residence at 44 High Street the day before the burglary.

In reply to the Magistrate, Sergeant Flattery said that the door of the flat was open, and it was possible that the defendant made his entry through some fanlights, which were also opened. The theft occurred at four o'clock in the morning.

Defendant had a number of keys in his possession, and one of them fitted every drawer in the complainant's house, but, of course, that may have only been a coincidence. "He is supposed to have left school four years ago," added Sergeant Flattery, "and started on this career."

Calling the pawnbroker forward, Mr. Williams said that he would make an order for him to return the pieces that the defendant had pawned to the complainants without compensation.

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed, and his Worship ordered defendant to be placed under Police supervision for a period of two years.

TRAFFIC OFFENCE.

CHINESE FINED FOR DANGEROUS DRIVING.

SIGNAL IGNORED.

A Chinese youth named Kwok Hai-man was to-day summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at "traffic time," for driving his motor car in a dangerous manner on the Main Road, Aberdeen, at 11.05 p.m., on Saturday.

Acting Sub-Inspector Cunningham, officer in charge of Aberdeen Police Station, told the Magistrate that the offence was committed on the stretch of the water front between the paper mills and the Police Station. He was walking along the road at the time and as the defendant came past him he estimated that the speed of the car was 35 miles per hour. He (the officer) shouted to defendant to stop and also blew his whistle, but defendant carried on.

Magistrate: The road was not busy at that time of the night?—There were one or two sampan people crossing the road to get water at the time.

The defendant admitted that he was travelling fast, but not so fast as the Police officer estimated.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$15.

WEDDING.

CEREMONY IN UNION CHURCH KOWLOON.

The wedding was solemnised in the Union Church, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon of Flight-Lieutenant Stanley David Dennis, R.A.F. elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis of Thorpe Bay, Essex, and Mrs. Vera Margaret Bond, eldest daughter of Mr. Hurry Woods, of Hong Kong.

The Rev. J. Horace Johnston, B.A., officiated. The bride was prettily attired in horizon blue crepe-de-Chine, and looked most attractive with a smart hat to match. She carried a bouquet of gold chrysanthemums tied with the R.A.F. colours, and was given away by Mr. E. R. Child, Mrs. Child was Matron of Honour. Commander J. H. P. Southby discharged the duties of best man.

A reception was subsequently held at 58 Nathan Road, after which the happy couple left for their honeymoon, which is being spent at the B. and S. Bungalow at Fanling.

SHOOTING AFFAIR IN TIENTSIN.

Host Tries to Kill Guest on Leaving House.

STRANGE OCCURRENCE.

An unusual shooting affair occurred in Ching Mei Li near the Bristow Road bridge, British Concession, Tientsin, on the evening of November 12.

A Chinese went to visit a friend living in Cardiff Road and after staying there an hour or two he left the house shortly before seven o'clock going away through Ching Mei Li. As he neared the entrance of Ching Mei Li on Bristow Road three pistol shots rang out in quick succession and three bullets struck him in the head. Notwithstanding his wounds, he looked round and saw that it was his friend who had followed him from his house and was firing at him.

Attracted by the sound of the firing, the B.M.C. Police came quickly upon the scene and effected the arrest of the would-be murderer.

The wounded man lost a great deal of blood but otherwise his condition is not at all serious. Strangely enough, all three bullet wounds are only flesh wounds, the skull itself not having been penetrated.

The motive for the crime is still unknown but it appears that there was some sort of quarrel between the two men, both of whom are ex-soldiers, and that the householder on the spur of the moment made up his mind to follow his friend and try to kill him after he had left the house. —P. & T. Times.

DRUG SMUGGLING ON PACIFIC.

Plan to Make Officers Customs Agents.

U.S. ATTITUDE.

Washington, Nov. 11. It was learned to-day that the U. S. Bureau of Customs is considering a plan for making officers on the principal passenger ships plying to the Orient "dollar a year men," fully sworn as customs officers and empowered to search staterooms of passengers for smuggled narcotics.

If such a plan were adopted, it was understood, the scheme would strictly limit the activities of the officers to narcotics, although in the event that liquor or jewellery were found the agents might feel compelled to report them as undeclared merchandise.

The plan will soon be submitted to Mr. Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, and to Mr. William D. Mitchell, Attorney-General.

It was stated that the scheme is particularly aimed at crews of such vessels rather than passengers.

Since the scheme could be put into effect only upon American vessels, some oppose it on the ground that it would drive passengers to patronise ships of other nations as well as arousing a storm of protests on principle.—United Press.

FLOWER POT THEFTS

SAID TO BE PREVALENT ON THE PEAK.

CHINESE CHARGED.

The prevalence of thefts of flower pots from houses on the Mid-levels and Upper-levels, has been checked by the arrest of an unemployed Chinese, who was to-day charged before Mr. E. H. Williams at the Central Court with the larceny of two pots of palms, the property of Dr. Li Shu-fan, of 8, Tramway Path. Defendant pleaded not guilty.

According to the Police prosecution, a person living next door to Dr. Li's house saw the defendant moving the pots in the garden at six o'clock yesterday morning, and at once notified Dr. Li. The gardener, who also saw what had happened arrested the thief. The pots had not been taken out of the grounds, but had been changed from their usual places.

After evidence had been given by the gardener, Mr. Williams decided to convict the defendant of the larceny of one pot and not two. Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

Ten Years Ago.

(From the "China Mail" of December 2, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 3/43d.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, is thinking about the formation of a Troop of Girl Guides, and hopes to call a meeting during the month to consider the question. A lady of considerable experience has kindly volunteered her assistance.

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ASSESSMENT RATES
IN COLONY.PERCENTAGES ON VALUATION
ALTERED.

REVISED SCALE.

The Colonial Secretary will move the following resolution in the Legislative Council on Thursday:

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentages on the valuation of every tenement enumerated in the list of tenements assessed, payable as rates, shall be altered, and that on and from the date to be fixed by His Excellency the Governor for the coming into effect of this resolution the following percentages shall be payable as rates, namely for any tenement—

- (a) in the City of Victoria 17 %
(b) in that portion of the Hill District bounded on the north, south, and west by the 700-foot contour, and on the east by a line drawn north and south passing through the Wanchai Gap; and in such other portion of the Hill District as may, by order of the Governor, be notified in the Gazette 17 %
(c) in the remaining portion of the Hill District and in Quarry Bay 12 1/2 %
(d) in Tai Hang and San Tsun 17 %
(e) (i) in Tung Lo Wan, Whitfield and Shauike Road as far as Inland Lot No. 1620 16 1/4 %
(ii) in the remaining portion of Shauike Road (North Point) 14 1/4 %
(iii) in Shauike East and West 16 1/4 %
(iv) Shauike Marine Lots Nos. 1 to 10, both inclusive, and Shauike Inland Lot No. 408 14 1/4 %



"The woman I marry must be truthful, for a start."
"I see—you want to do all the lying?"—*Byline, Sydney.*

- (v) in Tsing Shu Ma, Tau, Po Kau Wat, and Sai Wan Ho 16 1/4 %
(f) (i) in Broadwood Road (with the exception of Inland Lots Nos. 1911, 1946, 2039 and 2060 16 1/4 %
(ii) Inland Lot Nos. 1911, 1946 and 2060 14 1/4 %
(iii) Inland Lot No. 2039 17 %
(g) (i) in Wong Nei Chung (with the exception of the new Government built village) and Wong Nei Chung Road 17 %
(ii) in Wong Nei Chung New Village 13 %
(h) in Aberdeen 16 %
(i) in Apichau 14 1/4 %
(j) in Stanley 12 1/4 %
(k) (i) in Kowloon Point, Yau-mai, Mongkok-tai, Shamshui-poi, Prince Edward Road, the south side of Boundary Street and Fuk Tau Heung (with the exception of Kowloon Marine Lots No. 26, 28 and 33) 17 %
(ii) Kowloon Marine Lots Nos. 26, 28 and 33 16 1/4 %
(iii) in the area bounded by the extension of Argyle Street on the north, by the extension of Waterloo Road on the south-east and by the Kowloon Canton Railway on or towards the west 17 %
(iv) in Hung Hom, Hung Hom West, Hok Yuen and Kowloon City Road from the Hung Hom Police Station to the north, as far as and including Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1150 17 %

IN RED HANDS.

MONGOL SOLDIERS PROTECT
LADY MISSIONARIES.

FIGHT AGAINST 500.

Peking, Yesterday.
The Swedish missionary, the Rev. Mr. Obery, who sent the first news regarding the capture of Messrs. Hayward and Gomersall, wired from Paotouchen yesterday stating that the ladies, so far as could be ascertained at present were not exactly in the hands of bandits. Eight Mongol soldiers are protecting them but 500 bandits are surrounding the party.

Fighting between the force of troops and the bandits occurred on Saturday in which 40 soldiers were killed. In spite of the chaotic conditions Mr. Obery is attempting to get through to the ladies.

The Rev. Findlay Andrew and his party are due at Paotouchen to-night.—*Reuter.*

[A message dated November 30 stated that a small rescue party was starting off at noon in an attempt to rescue Messrs. Hayward and Gomersall, who had been captured by bandits. The rescue party consisted of the Rev. Findlay Andrew, of the China Inland Mission, who is a missionary of long experience in north-west China, Captain Stables (British), and Lieutenant Kanaga (American).]

Hankow, Yesterday.
Fathers P. Laffan and J. Lineham have been released and are now on board a British gunboat on the Upper Yangtze.—*Reuter.*

[Fathers Laffan and Lineham, the former of Limerick and the latter of Cork, are both members of the St. Columban's Mission. They were captured by bandits on April 23 last at Hanyang, Hupeh province, and have thus been in bandit hands for over seven months.]

ASSOUAN DAM.

TO BE COMPLETED BY BRITISH
FIRM.

Cairo, Yesterday.
The Cabinet has decided to award the contract for completion of the Assouan Dam to the British firm of Topham, Jones and Railton.—*Reuter.*

[It will be recalled that a Cairo message of September 27 reported that Sir John Norton Griffiths, the eminent engineer, was found dead in his hotel at Alexandria that morning, apparently having committed suicide. His Company had recently stopped the work of heightening the Assouan Dam, owing to alleged incompetent interference with the Egyptian Government. When the Griffiths firm stopped work on the dam, the Egyptian Government issued a communique stating that Sir John had written to the Government asking for financial assistance.]

RUBBER CRISIS.

SUGGESTION BY A PERAK
PLANTER.

London, Yesterday.
Calling attention to the fact that 25,000 coolies left the rubber estates in Malaya for India in a single month, owing to reduction in wages and an increase in the hours of labour, in a letter in the Financial Times Mr. Maurice Maude (formerly of Cleely Estate, Teluk Anson) as an "Anxious Rubber-Shareholder," foresees a labour difficulty when the price of rubber goes up again.

He suggests that the wholesale exodus can be remedied by stopping work on Sundays and thus the planters could afford to give the coolies a decent living wage owing to the reduced output and the increased price of rubber.—*Reuter.*

"MOTHER" JONES DEAD.

Washington, Yesterday.
The death has occurred of "Mother" Mary Jones, the veteran militant crusader for workers' rights, at the age of a hundred.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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(o) in Lai-chikok, Wong Uk, Cheung Sha Wan and Kowloon City 18 %
(p) in other places 11 %

CHINA & RUSSIA.

CONFERENCE ON EASTERN
RAILWAY.

OPENS ON THURSDAY.

Moscow, Yesterday.
M. Karakhan notified Mo Teh-hui yesterday that he proposes that the Sino-Soviet Conference regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway shall start on the 4th instant.

Nanking, Yesterday.
The Foreign Office officially states that General Mo Teh-hui has wired from Moscow that Karakhan, replying to Mo Teh-hui's latest note, expresses satisfaction with it and agrees to a final conference opening in Moscow on December 4.—*Reuter.*

[A Nanking message of November 29 stated: Replying to Karakhan's note in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway controversy, General Mo Teh-hui states "a careful perusal reveals that what you have said therein is due to a misunderstanding, and in most cases it is also irrelevant. This is especially true with your statements concerning the C.E.R. regarding which the Chinese Government have already made declarations of the most explicit nature. Your misapprehension in this connection, therefore, is quite inexplicable to me. However, the important point at the present time is the continuation of our conference. If you are agreeable, I am prepared to resume the sessions with you immediately."]

MRS. MILLER SAFE.

BRITISH AIRWOMAN LANDS ON
LONELY ISLAND.

FORCED DOWN IN GALE.

Nassau (Bahamas), Yesterday.
It is learned that Mrs. Keith Miller, the first woman to fly from Britain to Australia, is safe in these islands. Apparently she had a forced landing on Friday during a gale on the small and lonely island of Andros, in the Bahamas group.—*Reuter.*

[An earlier report stated it was feared that Mrs. Miller had been drowned in the Gulf of Florida. She started to fly from Havana to Miami on Friday morning without wireless or instruments, for "blind" flying. Four aeroplanes went out in search of her.]

Burbank, Yesterday.
Representing the California Society of Women, Miss Ruth Nicholson, of Rye, New York has beaten by eight hours 44 minutes the women's trans-continental flight record, hitherto held by Mrs. Keith Miller. Miss Nicholson landed here from New York after a flight of 16 hours 59 minutes.—*Reuter's American Service.*

MONEY LEFT.

ESTATE OF COL. A. H.
TUBBY.

CHINESE PRESUMED DEAD.

Several charitable bequests are contained in the will of the late Colonel Alfred Herbert Tubby, C.B., C.M.G., M.S., F.I.C.S., late of the Albany Hotel, Hastings, Sussex, who died at Red Gables, Bletchingley, Surrey, on February 23, this year. Net personally amounts to £97,812 7s. 8d., while Hong Kong estate is valued at \$11,400.

Re-sealing of certified copy of probate of the will has been granted to Mr. D. V. Stevenson, of Messrs. Deacons, who is attorney for the two executors, Mr. J. L. Payne, O.B.E., No. 18, Portland Place, London, and Sir John James Withers, C.B.E., M.P. No. 4, Arundel Street, Strand, London.

In the estate of Kwan Hau-yap, alias Kwan Ka-ye, alias Kwan Yim-tso, who disappeared on January 5, 1923, and who formerly lived at No. 491, Shanghai Street, Mongkoktsui, and was an employee of the Kwong Sang Wo, letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Kwan Leung-shi, of Canton, temporary lying at No. 31, Wellington Street. She has been given leave to presume death.

Chan Yuen, alias Chan Tsai-pang, who died intestate at No. 1, Pat Kan Back Street, Sai Shau Mui, Tai Yat Chun, Canton, on or about June 25, 1923, left Hong Kong estate worth \$5,000. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Chan Ng-shi, of Canton, who is temporarily living at No. 109, Cairne Road.

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BRITISH VAGRANT.

GIVES HIMSELF UP TO THE
POLICE.

SICK AND DESTITUTE.

Charles William Slaughter, a native of Plymouth, England, was this morning brought before Mr. E. H. Williams charged with being a vagrant, and he admitted it, adding that he had no means of support.

Detective-Sergeant Whant said that Mr. Slaughter came down from North China about four weeks ago, and yesterday he gave himself up to the Police as being sick and destitute. The Police were trying to do what they could for him.

His Worship:—I am making an order for you to be kept in the House of Detention where you will be well cared for.

Defendant:—Thank you very much.

STOLEN DINGHY.

RECOVERED THIS
MORNING.

It was reported to the Police yesterday by the coxswain of the motor boat Clara, which is owned by Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., that at about 12.30 a.m. two Europeans, unknown to him, were lying alongside the Clara at Queen's Pier.

The dinghy was stated to measure 18 feet by five feet, to bear the name Clara and to be valued at \$50.

It was learned just before going to press that the dinghy had been recovered. Details of the affair were not divulged.

BREMEN ELECTIONS.

"NAZIS" GAIN THIRTY
SEATS.

Berlin, Yesterday.
The "Nazis" obtained 32 seats in the election to the Diet of the Free State of Bremen, compared with two formerly.

The Communists gained two seats, and now have 12.

All the other parties lost seats, for instance the Social Democrats have now 40 compared with 50 previously.—*Reuter.*

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Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.

To-night—Dinner Dance at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

To-night—Christmas Entertainment, Union Church, Kowloon, 9 p.m.

Thursday—International Song Recital, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Chasing Rainbows."

To-day—Central Theatre, "With Byrd at the South Pole."

To-day—World Theatre, "The Little French Girl."

To-day—Star Theatre, "The Garden of Eden" and Mme. Dauphin Desmonde, magician.

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Seven Days' Leave."

December 4—Kowloon Y.M.C.A.'s Amateur Dramatic Society presents "The Monkey's Paw" at the Y.M.C.A.

December 12—Theatre Royal, "Yeomen of the Guard," 9 p.m.

Home Malls

To-day—Inward from America and parts of Europe, via Siberia (Empress of Asia), Outward for Europe via Victoria B.C. (Hikawa Maru), 8.30.

Lamart's Auction, Friday—1st Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

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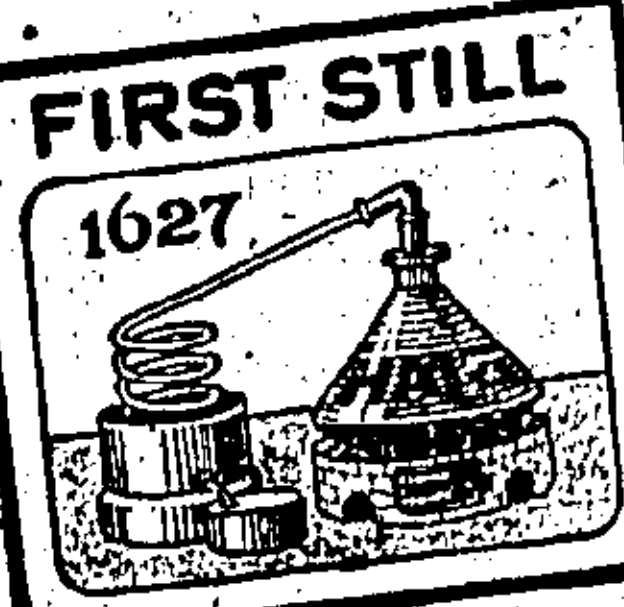
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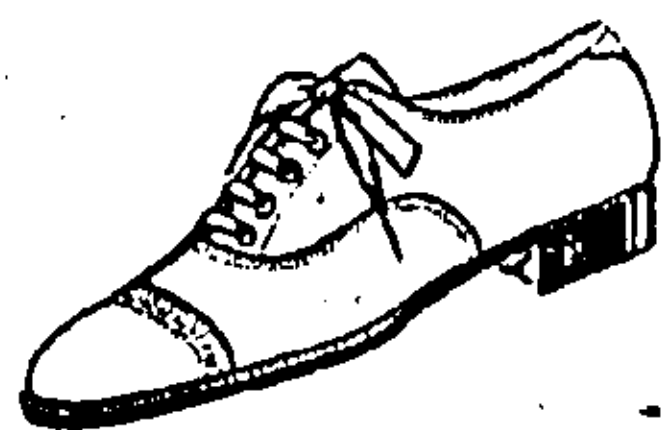
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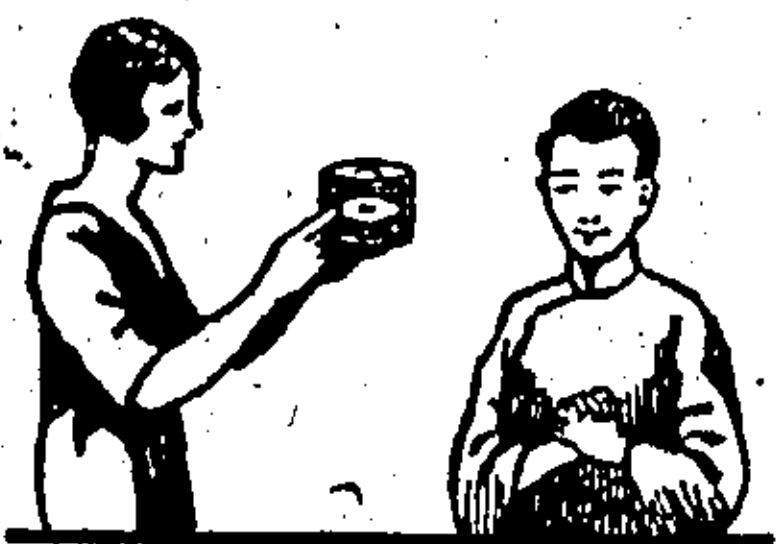
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Sport Columns

IS DISTRIBUTION LEGAL?

Unsolicited "Sweep" Tickets.

NOT ATTRACTIVE GAMBLERS.

[By Theophilus.]

Truth, in a recent issue, has devoted two paragraphs to the Liechtenstein Sweeps, relating to sweepstakes on English races which are conducted by "Mutual Distributions (Overseas), incorporating R. J. Duggan, Ltd., etc. After describing Duggan's activities in Ireland, and his transfer of "secured for his enterprise the August patronage of the Government of that Principality." Truth goes on to say:—"In India and Burma tickets are touted by local agents, and there is nothing in the printed matter which they issue to show who are the persons now responsible for the business in Liechtenstein. It is, however, fairly clear that the methods adopted for the sale of tickets must heavily diminish the value of the chance in the lottery for which cash is paid. There are not only agents whose remuneration is undisclosed, but swarms of sub-agents, and tickets are offered on reduced terms to anyone taking three or more.

Natives Allowed. "Taking one consideration with another, I should not myself regard these sweeps on the Derby, the St. Leger, the Manchester November Handicap, and the Grand National as attractive gambles, and though Europeans should be able to look after themselves, it is a pity that the authorities in India and Burma allow the traffic in the tickets among the native population."

I think perhaps Truth has a too high respect for the European's capacity for looking after himself. My own mind is completely innocent of the possibilities of any pitfalls regarding the Kulti Club, whose "Manager" has just issued me with a book of tickets on the Viceroy's Cup Sweep. The gift, of course, was unsolicited, and is marked "Private and Confidential," and on the back of each ticket is a printed notice to the effect that—"No ticket will be issued except to members, with whom alone the Club will correspond." I hasten to add that, as far as I know (and I know nothing at all about such things), the Kulti Club's sweepstake is absolutely irreproachable and above board. At the same time, when I am asked, in my capacity as Secretary to a station club to distribute these tickets (presumably to members of my club) it would seem that I have a right to make enquiries, and I should be grateful if any one could confirm my already preconceived confidence in the Kulti Club. Also, is there anything to prevent me from embarking on similar speculations myself?

Penalties Involved.

I ask, because as recently as October last, I was nearly scared out of my Secretariat's wits by a Government Judicial Department Circular, calling my attention to Section 294A of the Indian Penal Code, and to the dire consequences of (A) keeping an office or place for the purpose of drawing a lottery not authorised by Government, and (B) publishing of a proposal to give any consideration contingent on the drawing of any ticket in a lottery, not authorised, etc. After stating that no lottery is or will be authorised, the circular ends up with the remark that—"All club sweepstakes and lotteries which are not confined to members of the club, including visitors enjoying the use of the club as honorary members, are thus definitely prohibited," and that the law will set in motion those dire prosecutions which, as noted, scared me out of my Secretariat's wits.

What would happen to me if I circulated Kulti Club tickets to members? There is something in the circular about "abetting" any such lottery or sweepstake. My enquiry is of a strictly academic nature, since the only use to which I put lottery tickets is for shaving paper, which I presume is not illegal, though I admit that in these hard times a free supply of shaving paper might be regarded as the Secretary's prerogative, and therefore a consideration. However, the tickets are neatly perforated, and the temptation to use them so, whether legal or not, is irresistible. —Rangoon Times.

The money paid out to Scotland junior football had been £2,000, and the money paid out to Scotland senior football had been £1,000. The money paid out to Scotland junior football had been £2,000, and the money paid out to Scotland senior football had been £1,000.

INTERPORT SHOOTING CONTEST.

Hong Kong Secure Last Place.

SHANGHAI WIN.

Singapore, Nov. 24. Weather conditions of a most trying description prevailed yesterday morning when Singapore fired off in the annual Inter-port shooting competition at the Farrer Range, writes the Singapore Free Press. It was an extremely hot morning, which caused a mirage, while varying light, due to clouds and the fresh breeze, did not add to Singapore's chances. The shooting, when compared with the results of the shoots, was not at all encouraging. The full scores were: Shanghai 937; Singapore 873 and Hong Kong 845.

At 200 yards Singapore were only five points behind Shanghai's score. At 500 yards the score dropped 26, putting Singapore 31 points behind Shanghai. The team was thus left with the almost impossible task of scoring 340 points at 600 yards, or 34 per man, which left each mem-

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ber of the team a margin of only one point below the highest possible. Actually, the team fell short of the task by 64 points. Singapore has not won an inter-port rifle shooting competition since 1909 and the best score since then was made in 1927 when 915 was returned against Hong Kong's 949 and Shanghai's 945.

NATIONAL GUARD ADOPT POLO.

Denver Cavalry Are Keen Players.

GOING DIFFICULT.

Denver, Colorado, Oct. 25. Denver units of the Colorado national guard have adopted polo, as a part of their winter sports programme.

The city has a troop of cavalry, and those members who have the time have been allowed the use of the horses for the game, according to Major Alphonse Ardourel, quartermaster of the Colorado division.

In their first game, the guard team found the going difficult, losing to the Pratt ranchers by 12 goals to 1. The Pratt family own a large ranch east of Denver and their team is composed entirely of members of that family.

Major Ardourel, who has become perhaps the team's most ardent fan, offered a ready alibi for that first defeat, blaming it mostly on the superior quality of the Pratt horses. The Guard since has secured several faster horses and is expected to give the ranch team a better battle in their next encounter. —United Press.

HOCKEY.

K.B.S.F.P.A. HOLD THE
ARGYLLS.

On the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday afternoon the K.B.S.F.P.A. XI played a drawn game with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders 1st XI. Both teams were well balanced and some good movements were witnessed. There was no scoring in the first half. After the interval the F.P.A. broke through and C. C. Francis found the net. This lead was, however, short-lived, for a little before full time Corporal Duggan scored the equaliser. Play was very fast and of a high standard, the Argylls going with both goals pressing hard for a win. Result—Draw.

ENGLISH FOOTBALL CUP.

Draw for Second Round Announced.

NOTTS COUNTY AGAIN AWAY.

Owing to some inexplicable reason Reuter's Agency did not cable the draw for the first round proper of the English Cup until last night—nearly 30 hours after it had cabled the results by code. However the Sunday Herald and the China Mail published a list of results that was virtually correct, the only addition to the list being the Queen's Park Rangers and Thames match, which was won by the former by 5 goals to nil.

This morning Reuter sends the draw for the second round, to be played on December 13, adding the superfluous information that the Clubs in the First and Second Divisions come into the competition in the third round.

Notts County are again drawn to play away, their opponents in the second round being Doncaster Rovers. Brentford are fortunate in playing on their own ground against the lowly Norwich City. Gillingham, at home, should account for either Aldershot Town or Peterborough. Either Tranmere Rovers or Gateshead should account for Folkestone. Lincoln City need have no qualms regarding their visit to Scarborough, and the same may be said in regard to Crystal Palace's trip to Newark Town. Wrexham will go into the third round at the expense of either Wellington Town or Wombwell. Carlisle United have nothing to fear from Tonbridge Wells.

The full list of ties in the second round is as under:

Gainsborough Trinity v. Southport.
Brentford v. Norwich City.
Accrington v. Torquay.
Gillingham v. Aldershot Town or Peterborough.
Fulham or Wimbledon v. Halifax or Mansfield.
Nelson v. York City.
Tranmere or Gateshead v. Folkestone.
Watford v. Luton or Clapton Orient.
Crewe v. Queen's Park Rangers.
Doncaster v. Notts County.
Scarborough v. Lincoln.
Newark Town v. Crystal Palace.
Bristol Rovers v. Stockport.
Walsall v. Dulwich Hamlet or Newport.
Wellington or Wombwell v. Wrexham.
Carlisle v. Tunbridge Wells.
Exeter v. Coventry.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

Hockey—To-day—Y.M.C.A. v. R.A. King's Park, 5 p.m.
Golf—To-day—Second round of Railway Cup (Ladies).
December 15—Annual Meeting R.H.K.G.C. Jardine, Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
Chess—To-day—First round of Kowloon Chess Club Championship.
Hugby Football—To-morrow—Club "A" v. H.M.S. Medway, 4.45 p.m.
Law Tennis—Thursday—Ladies' Open Doubles Championship—Semi-Finals.
Monday—Ladies' Open Doubles Final, U.S.R.C.
Racing—Saturday—Twelfth Extra Race Meeting.
Monday—Entries close for Thirteenth Extra Meeting, noon.
December 15—Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting.
December 21—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
February 15—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
January 19—Fanning Hunt Club's Steeplechase Meeting.
Boxing—Saturday—Tournament, City Hall, 9 p.m.
Cricket—Saturday—Division I—Craigongower C.C. v. Civil Service (L.); Division II—Civil Service v. Craigongower (L.); Hong Kong C.C. v. Royal Signals (L.); Police v. University (F.); Indian R.C. v. E.A.S.C. (F.); Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon (F.).
Football—Saturday—First Division—St. Joseph's v. Burdett; Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders v. Royal Artillery; Police v. Club; Revere v. Chinese; Navy v. Kowloon; Second Division—Navy v. Burdett; St. Joseph's v. Chinese; Royal Artillery v. South China Club v. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders; University v. Kowloon; Revere v. Eastern; Third Division—R.A.O.C. v. Fulham.
Fencing—Monday—Fencing Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 8.45 p.m.
Athletics—March 15 and 16—Hong Kong v. Canton Universities.
Home
Football—December 13—English Cup—Second round.

WORLD'S LADY TENNIS PLAYERS

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INTERNATIONALS.

ENGLISH HOPES

[By A. Wallis Myers.]

In attempting to classify the first ten women players of the world, the appraiser is only too conscious of his difficulties, writes A. Wallis Myers in the Daily Telegraph.

This year, like no other, form has fluctuated. The only place that "leaps to the eye" is that of Mrs. Moody at the top. She stands today, as she stood last year and the year before, in splendid isolation. Below her is much talent but little that seems likely to reach her high level; and in the maze of the season's tournament and match play I am inclined to think that the secret of Mrs. Moody's supremacy has been lost to her younger rivals.

Man-Like. If Mrs. Moody played as much lawn tennis as some of her contemporaries her record of invincibility would probably be tarnished, for, although she has cultivated a speed of service and drive which have a man-like superiority over nearly all her opponents, she is not a born strategist.

But she is wise enough to limit her match play to the major meetings of the year, and she comes to each better trained, physically and mentally, than the rest of the field. She has made a habit of practising against the harder strokes of men; not for her the depressing influence of games against opponents who cannot extract the speed which it is her nature to exploit.

All Powerful. Mrs. Moody's championship victories this year were even easier than last. She did not lose a set in Paris or at Wimbledon, and although threatened with the loss of one in the Wightman Cup match—Mrs. Holcroft-Watson took the first five games—her defeat was never likely. Of the next thirteen games she only lost one. I am led to the conclusion that, in all countries, the science and technique of the game are not receiving adequate attention. The number of women players is increasing in almost all lands, but there is no lack of facilities for practice.

World Improvement. No one who has toured Germany this summer could have failed to have noticed the wealth of new courts, many of them equipped with swimming baths and plant for physical exercises. In South America, shortly to be visited by a British team, there is the same development, and in the East women are demanding and obtaining opportunities for more play.

All this activity feeds youthful ambition, but it does not necessarily furnish intelligent and sympathetic coaching, nor ensure that ardent disciples can explore the ultimate art of the game. Never was there a greater opportunity for professional instructors of the right kind.

The following "order of merit" is based mainly, although not entirely, on results in major events. I add the necessary qualification

that none of those in the lists competed in all three championships (French, British and American), and that women, much more than men, must always be more susceptible to climatic and surface changes.

1. Mrs. Moody (Helen Wills) (United States).
2. Frl. C. Aussem (Germany).
3. Mrs. Holcroft-Watson (England).
4. Miss Ryan (United States).
5. Mme. Mathieu (France).
6. Miss H. Jacobs (United States).
7. Miss P. Mudford (England).
8. Senorita E. de Alvarez (Spain).
9. Miss B. Nuthall (England).
10. Frl. H. Krawinkel (Germany).

It will be seen that England and America each have three players, Germany two, and Spain and France one each. Australia might very well have had one or two of her women in the list if a team from the Commonwealth had come to Europe.

German Star. Frl. Aussem, the present German champion, has five victories to her credit over the players classified. She was in the semi-final both at Wimbledon and in Paris; in the French championship she beat Miss Ryan, to whom she was obliged to retire in the British tournament. Mrs. Watson was unable to play at Wimbledon, and her singles season has been restricted; she has been beaten and defeated by Miss Jacobs; she was too good for Miss Nuthall early in the year. Her break of five games against Mrs. Moody has been mentioned.

Miss Ryan Disappoints. Although in all three finals at Wimbledon and playing with as much vigour as ever, Miss Ryan has only two victories over, as against three defeats by, "First Ten" players. Mme. Mathieu has advanced and has outstanding talent. Miss Jacobs was handicapped by illness, but reached the final in Paris. Miss Mudford is less versatile, but her driving power and her mobility are a real asset to England's resources. Senorita de Alvarez did not play at Wimbledon, and, after beating Mme. Mathieu at Auteuil, fell to Miss Jacobs in a rather painful match.

New Talent. Miss Nuthall's successes in England were few, but in winning the American championship, although deprived of a chance of meeting Mrs. Moody again, she acquitted herself well. Frl. Krawinkel has beaten Mrs. Godfree and Senorita de Alvarez this year, although neither was at her best. She is one of many German players gifted with stamina and zeal.

On the fringe of the elect—and doubtless to come in at an early date—were several maturing players—Miss M. Healey and Miss F. James of England, Miss S. Palfrey of America, Miss Mataya of France, and Mlle. Sigart of Belgium.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB "A" v. H.M.S.
MEDWAY.

The following will represent the Club "A" fifteen v. H.M.S. Medway to-morrow at 4.45 p.m.:—A. N. Oiler, W. Harris, Walker, Allen, D. P. Kirby, G. P. Ferguson, J. W. King, I. H. M. McCreedy, R. D. Beaumont, B. L. Stock, H. D. Clippdale, A. D. Coppin, Watson, W. J. Kerr, W. R. Andrews and Mitford. Referee: Mr. G. F. Rees.

Future Dates. The following fixtures have been arranged:—Saturday, December 8—Club "A" v. South Wales Borderers. Saturday, December 13—Club v. United Services. Saturday, December 20—Club v. South Wales Borderers.

With the exception of his long left hand Scott had "nothing." He showed himself lacking both in offence and defence. He was as open as a gate for a body attack, and Strickling commenced a terrible "price" for it—Norman Hurst.

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The public will welcome the production of W. W. Jacobs well-known play, "The Monkey's Paw" by the Amateur Dramatic Society of the Kowloon Young Men's Christian Association.

This thriller, the only dramatic work by Jacobs, will be produced during the second half of the programme on Ladies' Night at the Y.M.C.A. on Thursday, December 4. The first half of the programme will be in the form of a short concert, leading vocalists and musicians rendering their selections. All are cordially invited to attend this function.

NO INTEREST.

SHANGHAI—NANKING RAILWAY
DEFAULT.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The Shanghai-Nanking Railway has defaulted in the interest payment of \$65,700, due on December 1. This is the first time China has defaulted in the payment of interest on Shanghai-Nanking Railway bonds.—Reuter.



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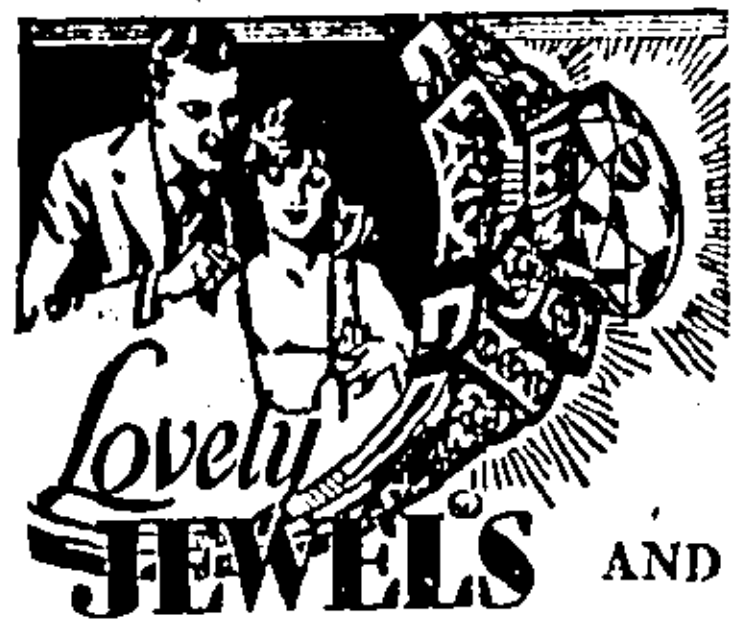
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complete unit so that the cast was

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hears scenes piecemeal," Soren-

son stated recently, "but in pic-

tures, it is customary to rehearse

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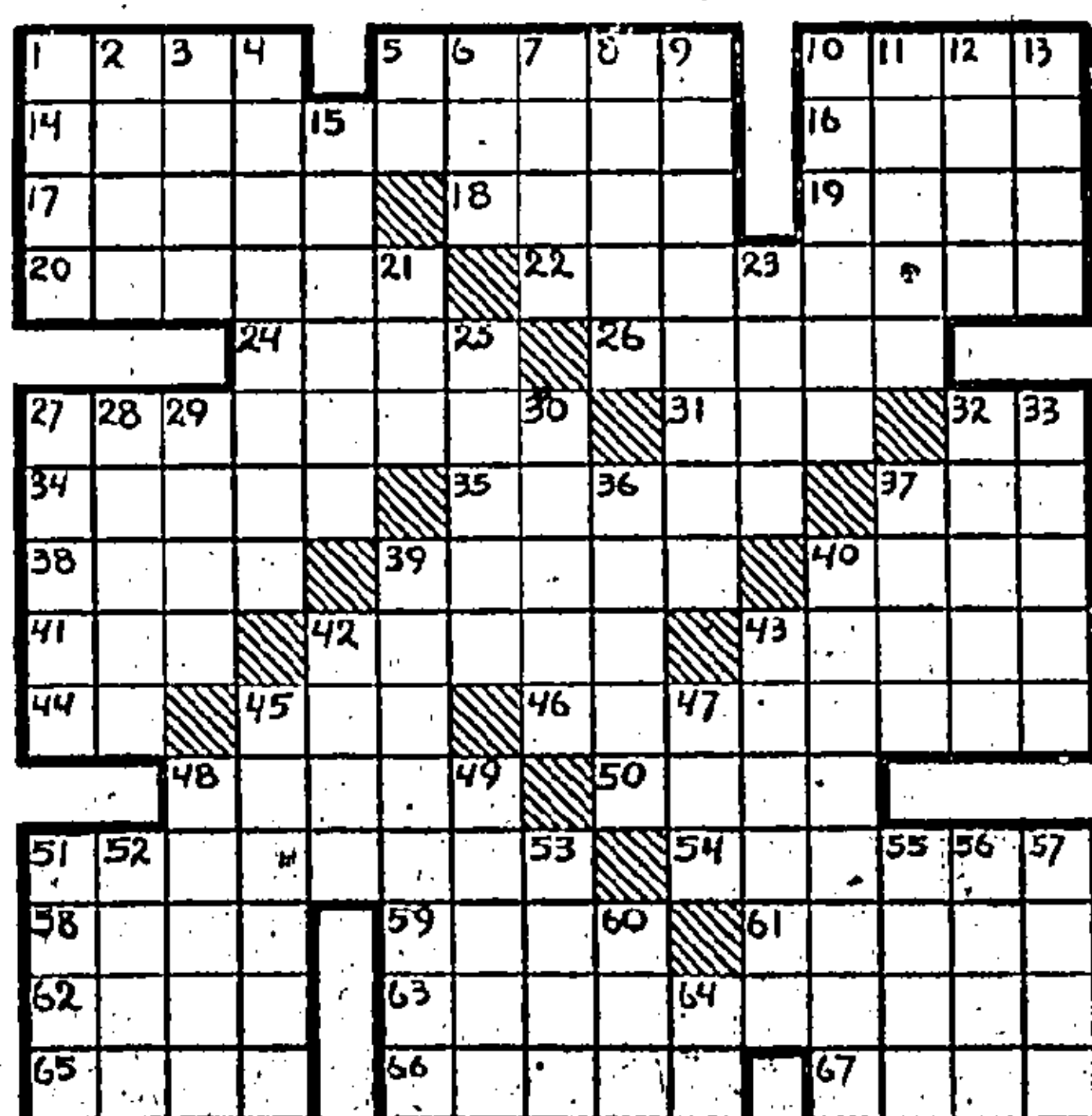
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HORIZONTAL
1—Restrained by
respect
8—River in France
10—Specified time (pl.)
14—That which is made
known
15—Range
17—Three times
18—A shade tree (pl.)
19—Level shaded walk
20—Vendor
21—Praiseworthy
24—A note
25—Hauls
27—Wearing a bonnet
31—Anger
32—Frano (abbr.)
33—Willow
35—Concede
37—Synonym for
industrious person
38—Margit
39—Twisted
40—Uncovered
41—Time
42—Leaf of a palm
43—Dinner dish
44—Prosser
45—Legume
46—Hayek (pl.)
48—Farm buildings

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
50—Finely divided
carbon
51—A tie beam
54—Maker of malt
liquors
58—To tend
59—Falsifier
61—Wear away
62—Formerly
63—Produced
65—Uncultivated plant
66—Chains of rocks in
waterways
67—Lairs
VERTICAL
1—Branches of learning
2—Exalted
3—Wicked
4—Refused
5—Parent
6—Consumed
7—Rivulet
8—Wanderer
9—Making secure
10—Injury
11—Desert dwellers
12—Shrub
13—Auction

VERTICAL (Cont.)
16—One who looks slyly
aside
21—Decay
22—Move swiftly
24—An African black
27—Prominent senator
28—Indian tribe
29—Baseball team
30—Intoxicated
32—Undomesticated
33—Tall grasses
36—Mountain range of
S. America
37—Large bundle
38—Noble disputant
40—Traded by exchange
42—Flowerless plant
43—Accumulated
44—Caded suffering
47—Lamentation
48—Tender firm
49—Net
51—Dull
52—Sound
53—Vehemence
55—Diminished
56—Ideal spot
57—Extreme radicals
60—Refrain (abbr.)
64—Province of Canada
(abbr.)

RADIO TOPICS

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

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The Land Beyond the Pirates' Lair.
Billie Grey & His Orchestra
(4110).
Kiddi-Logues—In the Diney Room.
Told by Christine Silver
(4433).

Nursery Rhymes Medley.
The Century Quartette
(3501).
5.35-6.30 p.m.—Orchestral.
Zampa Overture.
The Bournemouth Municipal
Orchestra (5082).
Witches Dance from "Le Villi".
Concert Waltz in A.

B.B.C. Wireless Symphony
Orchestra (9144).
Casse Noisette Suite.
B.B.C. Wireless Symphony
Orchestra (9250-9252).

The Vagabond King.
Percival Mackay's Band
(9195).
6.30-7 p.m.—Operatic.
Tannhauser—O Star of Eve.
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet
(9123).

Romeo & Juliet—Waltz Song.
Faust—Jewel Song.
Gertrude Johnson, Soprano
(9193).

11—Trovatore.
B.B.C. Wireless Symphony
Orchestra (9185).
Faust—Vocal Gema.
7-7.40 p.m.—A Concert.

Praeludium.
The J. H. Squire Celeste
Octet (9093).
O Lovely Night.
Doris Vane, Soprano (9233).

Serenade.
Angel's Serenade.
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet
(9116).
The Signpost.

Roy Henderson, Baritone
Song of Hydras the Cretan.
Robert Easton, Bass (9412).
Home Sweet Home.
Doris Vane, Soprano (9176).
Hungarian Rhapsody.
William Murdoch, Pianist
(9282).

7.40-8 p.m.—"How To Listen
To Music" by Dr. Percy Buck
(40102).
8 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Re-
lay.

9 p.m.—Weather Report.
11 p.m.—Close Down.



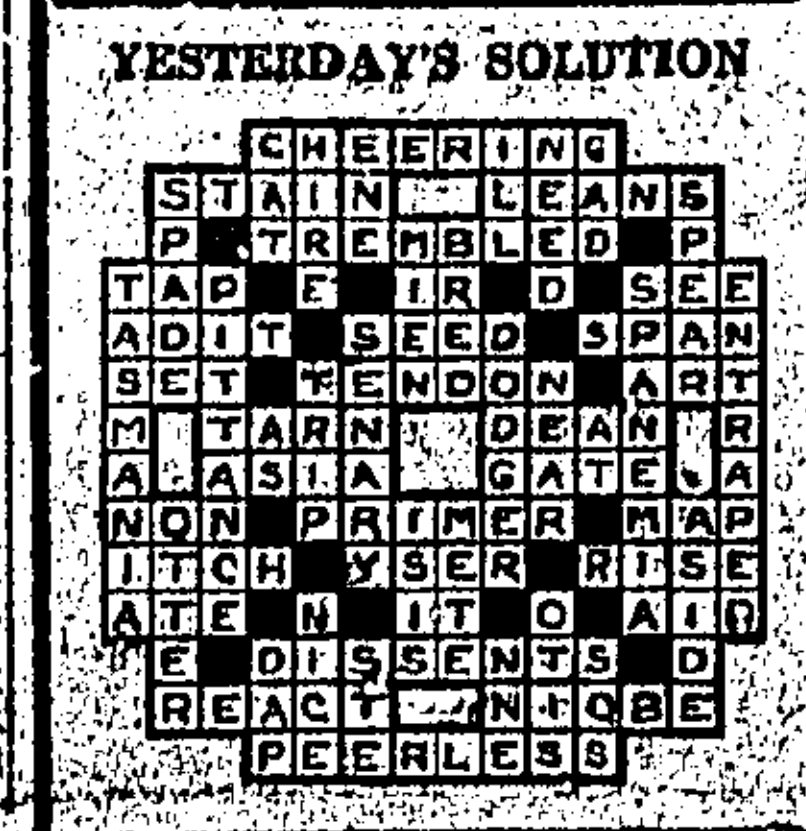
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Born in Folkestone, England,
Mr. Maxted came to Canada at
the age of nine and received all his
schooling in Montreal, where he
also studied voice and won wide
repute as concert and oratorio
singer. When the war came he
enlisted as a private with the
Canadian forces, returning as a
lieutenant. He now holds the rank
of major in the Canadian Militia.
At the Scottish Festival in Banff
last year he created the leading
role in "The Young Pretender."
Mr. Maxted also introduced radio
and concert audiences to Fraser
Simon's settings of Milne's songs
in "When We Were Very Young."

I'M ALONE CASE.

U.S. HOPES FROM FINDING OF
RADIO STATION.

The United States Government,
which is trying to make the best
possible case for itself over the
sinking of the Canadian schooner
I'm Alone last year, is gratified by
the capture of Cecil Molyneux dur-
ing a raid in which an elaborate
radio station, used to communicate
with reorganised Rum Row, was
found in Brooklyn.

The station, located by a sensi-
tive direction finder, was in charge
of Molyneux and Malcolm Mac-
Masters, both of whom were ar-
raigned on a charge of operating a
radio station without a licence, and
released on \$7,500 bail, which was
promptly furnished.

Following the arraignment, how-
ever, the Government discovered
that Molyneux had been radio
operator on the I'm Alone, and it
was reported to be preparing to ask
for a rearrest and an increase of
bail to \$50,000, in the belief that
Molyneux could verify the Govern-
ment's contention that the I'm
Alone was a notorious smuggler,
operated then by the same gang
which now owns the raided radio
station.

Since the United States must
rest its case largely on the past
record of the I'm Alone in an at-
tempt to justify its action in sink-
ing the schooner, anything which
has a bearing in that connection
would be welcomed by Government
officials.

WIRELESS SMUGGLING.

Syndicate With Annual Business Of
\$3,000,000.

New York, Sept. 28.
Agents in the Department of
Justice asserted in connection with
the arrest on Friday of two wireless
operators in an unlicensed short-
wave station in Brooklyn that a
liquor smuggling syndicate, which
secures its supplies from St. Pierre
and the Bahamas, is now doing an
annual business amounting to
\$15,000,000 (\$3,000,000) in the
United States. They stated that
one of the men arrested, whom they
described as a "radio genius," had
been the wireless operator of I'm
Alone, the Canadian vessel sunk by
a United States revenue cutter in
the Gulf of Mexico 18 months ago.
I'm Alone, they alleged, was worked
by this same smuggling syndicate.
According to the Department of
Justice the syndicate owned the
wireless station raided on Friday,
as well as the stronghold in Atlantic
Highlands, New Jersey, which was
raided last year, and in connection
with which 67 persons, have been
indicted.

The syndicate is said to have 12
steamships, which remain outside
the 12-mile limit, and make their
shipments of liquor to the coast by
a large fleet of fast motor-launches,
all of which are equipped with wire-
less apparatus, by which they re-
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wave, appointing meeting places
and warning them of the move-
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three years from GSW, the ex-
perimental short wave station at
Chelmsford.

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at the disposal of any Empire ser-
vice which may be created, free,
for a period of five years; and this
offer will, no doubt, weigh with the
Communications Committee of the
Imperial Conference, which gave
special consideration to the cost of
an Empire station. The com-
mittee, of which the Prime Minis-
ter of New Zealand is the chair-
man, has spent some time discus-
sing a scheme for reciprocal broad-
casting within the Empire.

The short wave broadcasts now
sent from Chelmsford are not
dignified with the title of "service"
by the B.B.C. Transmission takes
place only between 12.30 and 1.30
midday, and from 7 p.m. until mid-
night on Monday to Friday (Lon-
don-time) when whatever forms the
material of the national pro-
gramme during those hours is used.

News, however—the very portion
of a Home programme which is
most eagerly listened for by scat-
tered British communities over-
seas—is excluded from the broad-
casts altogether, owing to the ex-
igencies of news-agency copyrights.

News a Principal Item.
If a suitable broadcasting station
is to be set up for the Empire, the
B.B.C. appreciate that news ought
to be elevated into one of the prin-
cipal items, and have already as-
certained what would be the cost of
supplying special Empire bulletins.

The Chelmsford plant would not
be capable of dealing with a full
Empire wireless service, being in-
deed, little suited for other than ex-
perimental work. To reach all
quarters of the Empire during
varying times and conditions, at
least two wave-lengths would be
necessary, and a medium power
station that would serve for the
next few years, might for conveni-
ence and economy, be placed at
Davenry, unless a risk appears of
interfering with the efficiency of
the two stations already there. Ac-
cording to an estimate of the
B.B.C., the capital expenditure on
an Empire station would amount to
£40,000.

Programmes would have to be
dispatched at times to coincide with
the leisure of listeners in different
parts of the Empire, and would prob-
ably, have entertainment and
"home contacts" as subsidiary to
news. Selections from the alter-
native British programmes would
furnish the entertainment, and ar-
rangements would probably be
made to transmit items of special
interest to those abroad, even if
they were not being supplied to
listeners at Home.

Trade Propaganda.
The B.B.C. are willing to place
Home programmes at the disposal
of an Empire service for five years,
a period which would coincide with
the life of the technical equipment
of a station to meet Empire re-
quirements.

The Corporation, however, would
expect to be reimbursed for any ad-
ditional expenses incurred by ex-
tending the British programmes
overseas, and also safeguarded
from commercial exploitation of
its service by rebroadcasters over-
seas.

These conditions are regarded as
forming reasonable requests, be-
cause the British licence holder, be-
sides having contributed £19,000 to
the experimental short wave station
at Chelmsford, pays an average of
£20 an hour per station for his pro-
grammes, or £70,000 a year.

The Corporation would also ex-
pect to be paid for broadcasts of
events not of sufficient importance
to be sent out in Great Britain, yet
interesting enough to one portion
or another of the Empire to demand
notice.

Further, the B.B.C. ask the right
to use the Empire transmitters for
relaying material in any part of the
world.

One important concession which
the Corporation are prepared to
make is to include general British
trade propaganda in the Empire
transmissions, though they claim a
free hand to carry out the idea in
whatever way and to whatever ex-
tent they consider best.

The cost of an Empire station on
the lines thus indicated, including
both engineering and programme
charges, would be in the neighbour-
hood of £22,000 a year.

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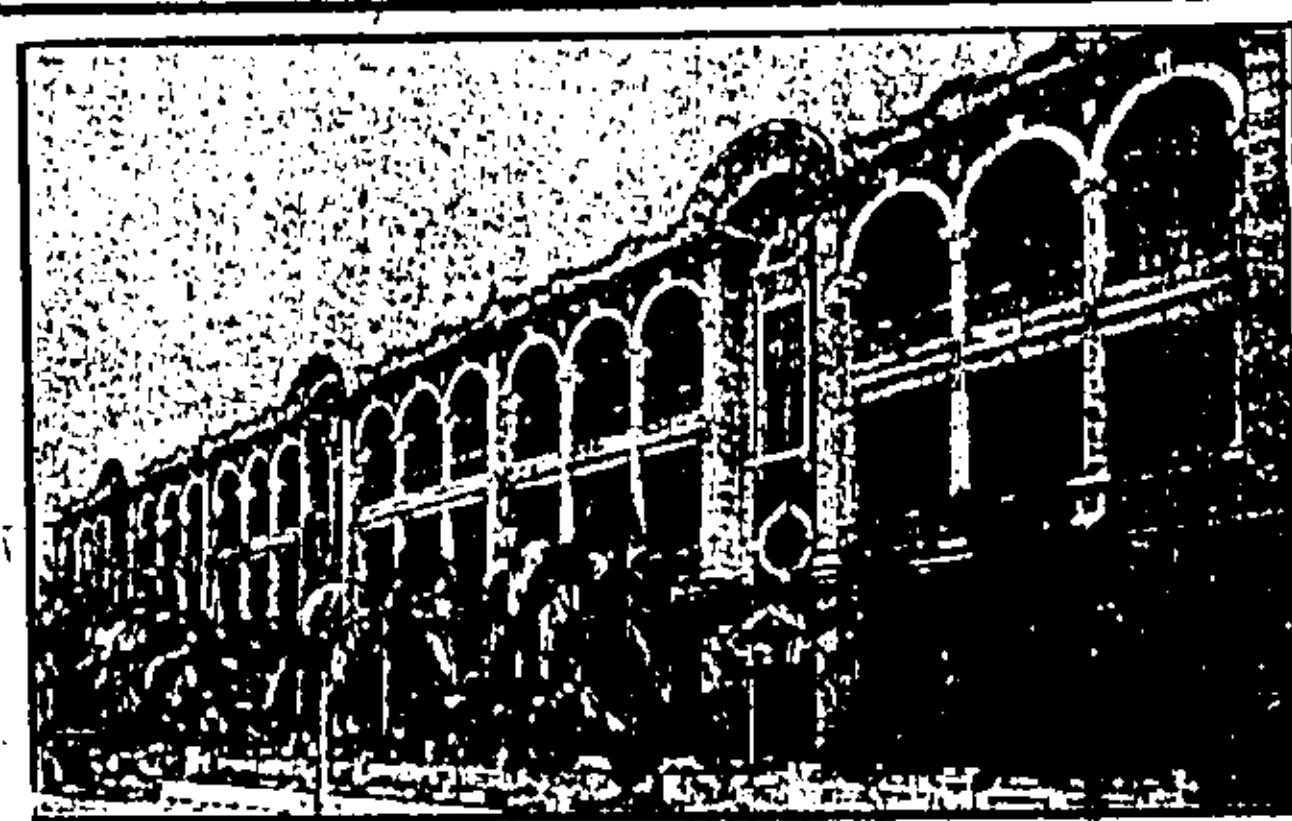
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TRADE DEPRESSION HITS AMERICA.

Budget Deficit in the
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Washington, Yesterday.
The trade depression was reflected in President Hoover's annual message to Congress to-day, in announcing a budget deficit of \$180,000,000, contrasted with the estimated surplus of \$123,000,000. Nevertheless, the fundamental security of the Nation's economic life was unimpaired.

He declared that the number of wholly unemployed, as accurately determined by the census taken in April, was about 2,500,000, whilst the Labour Department's index was larger. Trades had showed some increase since.

He asked for an emergency appropriation of between \$100,000,000 and \$150,000,000 to accelerate construction and increase employment during the next six months. But commitments beyond that period were unwarranted.

Optimistic Note.

Washington, Later.
It is estimated that the 1932 expenditure will be \$4,054,000,000, and the revenue \$4,085,000,000, if the tax reduction is discontinued. The picture painted by Mr. Hoover, however, was by no means gloomy. He traced a substantial progress last year in national peace and security and noted that the fundamental security of the nation's economic life was unimpaired. Education and scientific discovery had made advances, while "the major forces depression lie outside the United States and our recuperation is retarded by the unwarranted fear or apprehension created thereby."

Prices Stable.
He declared that the United States had estimated 80 to 85 per cent. of its normal activities and the incomes of the major financial institutions had weathered the storm unimpaired. Commodity prices remained approximately stable and a number of industries was showing signs of increasing demand, and the world at large was readjusting itself to the situation.

But the problem of the relief of unemployment was somewhat less than the published estimates of numbers would indicate. The number of distressed families represented only 10 to 12 per cent. of the calculated number of unemployed.

The subject of national defence he dismissed in a few words with a reference to the London Naval Treaty, which established for the United States parity with the

FOUR YEARS AGO. CONSPIRATORS NOW BROUGHT TO JUSTICE.

TWO SENTENCED.

Madrid, Yesterday.

The trial of the persons charged with conspiracy against the King and Primo De Rivera in 1926 has resulted in four persons being sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for attempting to assassinate the head of the Government, and one accomplice to a month's imprisonment. The other was acquitted. —Reuter.

GALLANT GOVERNOR

TO FLY BACK TO FRANCE FROM
SAIGON.

Paris, Yesterday.

As a sign that the Paris to Saigon air route is now a practical reality, the airmen Goulette and Lalouette are bringing home the Governor-General of Indo-China, who has cancelled his passage on the Messageries Maritimes liner in order to save three weeks on the journey. —Reuter.

TARIFF INCREASE.

EGYPT TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL
INDUSTRIES.

Cairo, Yesterday.

In order to encourage local industries the Government is increasing tariffs per 100 kilos of rice from 20 to 30 piastres, macaroni from 40 to 60, bananas from 60 to 120, pears from 24 to 35, and apples from 15 to 24 piastres. —Reuter.

SIR B. MITRA.

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FOR INDIA.

London, Yesterday.

The Government of India has selected Sir Bhupendranath Mitra, the former Finance Member of the Viceroy's Council, to succeed Sir Atul Chatterjee as High Commissioner of India in the United Kingdom. —Reuter.

strongest foreign Powers, and brought important economies in the conduct of the Navy.

As regards the future, Mr. Hoover commended the Congress to consider legislation to facilitate railway consolidation, the revision of the immigration laws, and the strengthening of the deportation laws to rid the country of criminal aliens. — Reuter's American Service.

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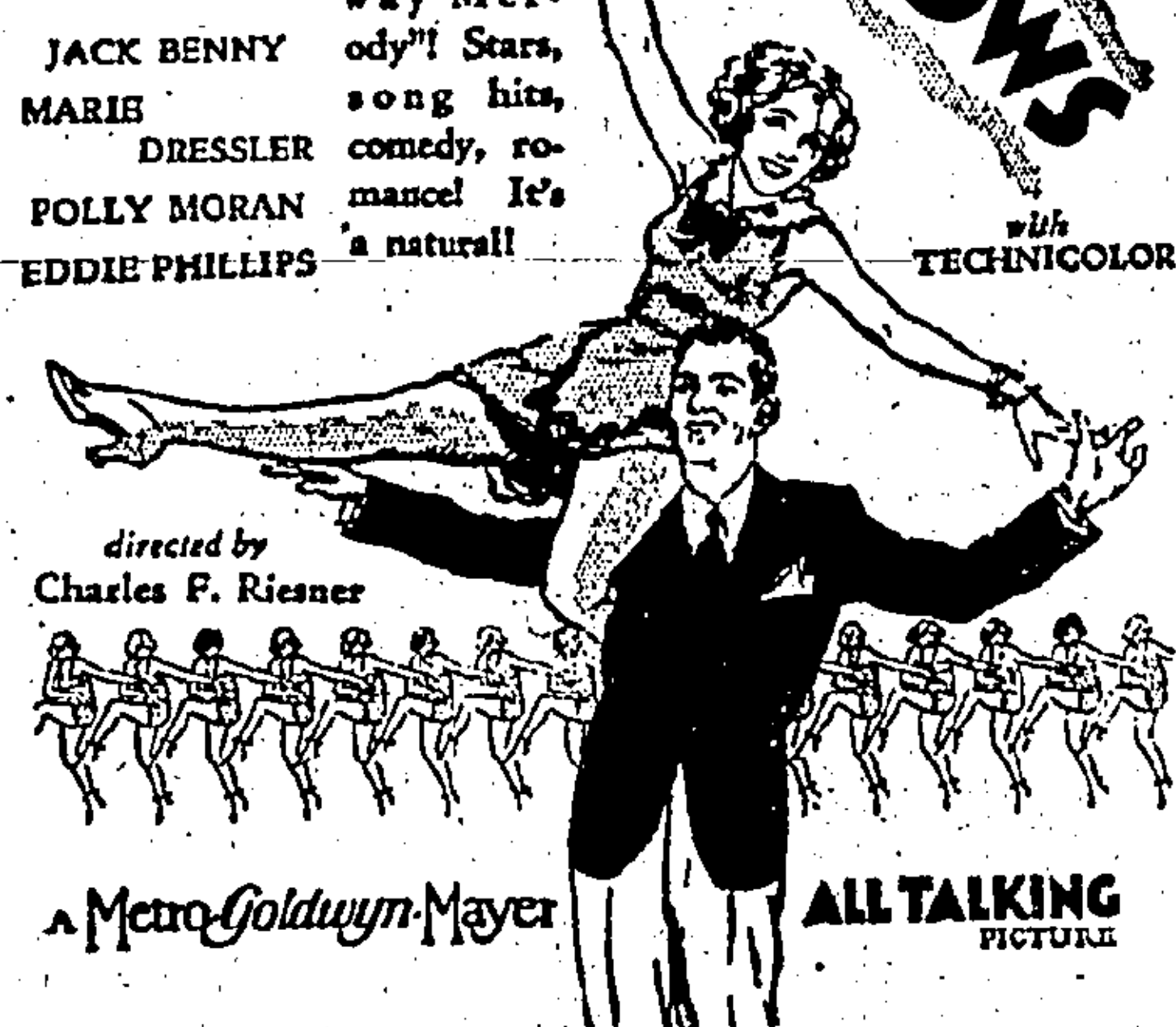
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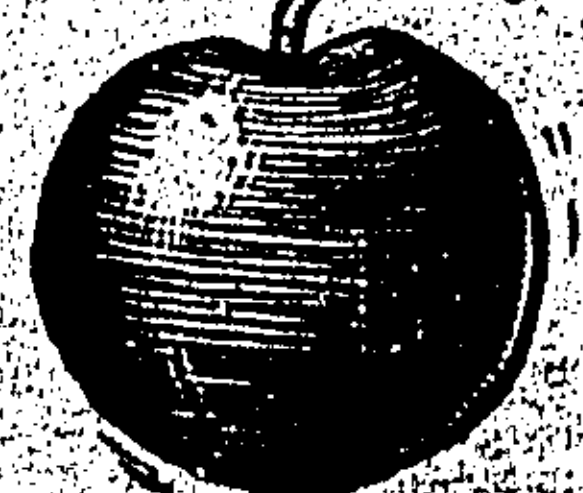
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